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YOU KNOW, A FIIRST MATCH
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IS SOMETHING YOU SHOULD GET SET UP FOR YOU AT A NEARBY TRACK, LIKE HOME BANK OR SOMETHING..
SO WHY IS MY FIRST MATCH IN THE FARTHEST NORTH TRACK IN JAPAN
HAKODATE?
TEAM KOTAROH
The farthest North Track in Japan
OVAL_1 最北の競輪場

OVAL_1
最北の競輪場
The farthest north track In Japan
I'M A ROOKIE WITH KEIOLIKAKU RIDERS,
I HAVEN'T MADE A CENT OFF THIS AND IT COST ME 15,000 YEN TO GET HERE!

IT TOOK ALL THAT MONEY!
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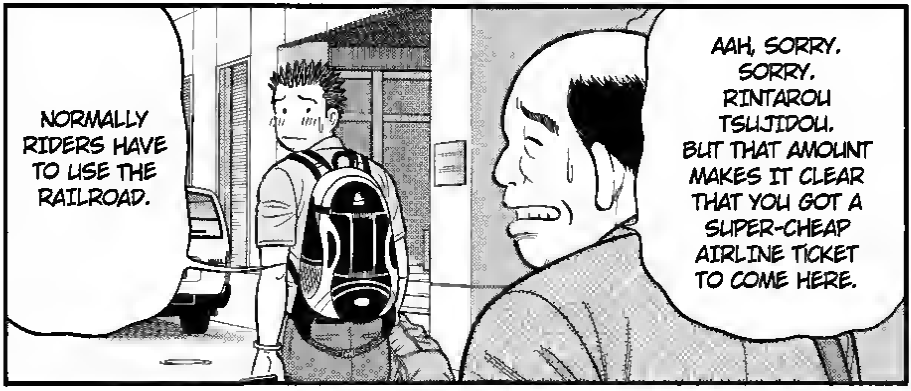
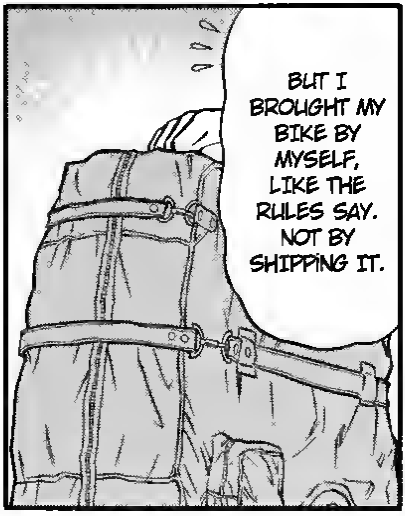
I'M SICK OF HEARING THAT NICKNAME, MR. ONE HAIR.
HEY, DON'T START YELLING OUT COMPLAINTS THE SECOND YOU GET TO THE TRACK. MR. "SLAPPED ON HIS ASS WITH A PRACTICE SWORD MORE TIMES THAN ANYBODY IN RIDING SCHOOL HISTORY".


NORMALLY RIDERS HAVE TO USE THE RAILROAD.
AAH, SORRY. SORRY. RINTAROU TSUJIDOU. BUT THAT AMOUNT MAKES IT CLEAR THAT YOU GOT A SUPER-CHEAP AIRLINE TICKET TO COME HERE.

WELL, ONLY BECAUSE IF I PUT THE BIKE IN MY PACK LIKE THIS IT'S TREATED AS LUGGAGE AND SO IT'S FREE.


BUT I BROUGHT MY BIKE BY MYSELF, LIKE THE RULES SAY. NOT BY SHIPPING IT.

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S1
S2
A1
A2
A3
WE A-3 GROUP RIDERS ARE IN THE LOWEST RANK; OUR F2 CHALLENGE RACES ALWAYS HAVE SMALL PRIZES. BUT BIKES AND TRAVEL EXPENSES TAKE A LOT OF MONEY.
FREE, HUH? RIDERS HAVE ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THAT.
WELL, I GUESS YOU'RE TAKING THIS PRETTY SERIOUSLY FOR A NEW KID.
AND YOU HAVE TO BUY CANDY, PORN MAGS, AND TEA THAT COSTS MORE THAN A THOUSAND YEN A GRAM FOR YOUR SENIORS IN THE ROOM YOU STAY AT.
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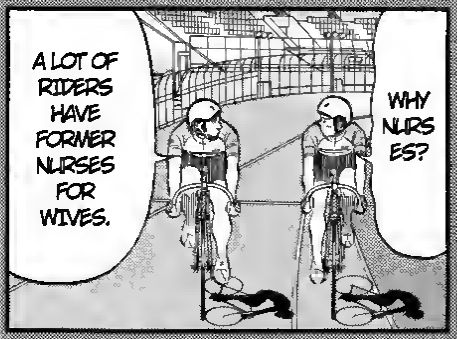
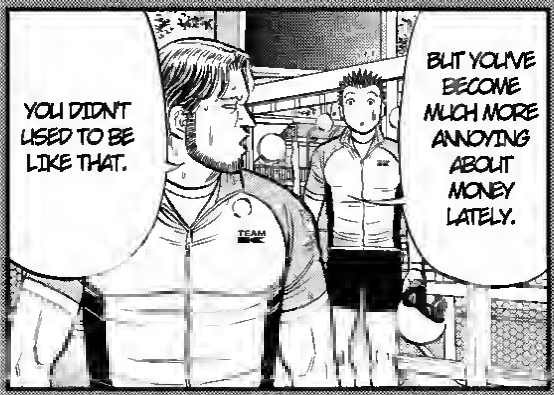
AND WHEN YOU'RE NEW YOU HAVE TO PAY FOR RIDING SCHOOL OUT OF THAT LOW PRIZE.
MASTER AKIYA TOLD ME NOT TOO.
OF COURSE NOT!
YOU DIDN'T SKIMP ON THAT EXPENSE, RIGHT?

DON'T SKIMP ON THAT!
IT'S PART OF A MAN'S PRIDE.
TEA AND
PORNO MAGS ARE "PRIDE"?
INDEED!
YOU CAN SKIMP WHERE YOU HAVE TO.
BUT WHEN YOUR PRIDE IS INVOLVED, DON'T SKIMP A SINGLE CENT!
THAT'S WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A RIDER!
TEAM KOTAROH


WHY NURSES?
A LOT OF RIDERS HAVE FORMER NURSES FOR WIVES.

ESPECIALLY MAKE SURE TO BE CAREFUL IN YOUR PORN SELECTIONS!
WORK WITH THE OTHER NEW KIDS TO MAKE SURE YOU'RE NOT BUYING DOUBLE COPIES. AND AVOID STUFF WITH NURSES IN IT!


BUT YOU'VE BECOME MUCH MORE ANNOYING ABOUT MONEY LATELY.
YOU DIDN'T USED TO BE LIKE THAT.

AAH, YEAH I GUESS RIDERS GET HURT A LOT.
YES!

DON'T TRY AND HIDE IT, RINTA.
WHAT HAPPENED?

AS A PRO I NEED TO KEEP AN EYE ON MY FINANCES...
WELL, NOW THAT MY DEBUT RACE IS CLOSE...
IT'S JUST KIND OF STARTING TO FEEL MORE REAL TO ME.

YEAH.
MY DAD...
TEAM
小太郎
.....
TEAM
KOTAR
WHAT ?
MY DAD HAD TO LEAVE THE HOSPITAL HE WAS STAYING AT.
THE NEW PLACE HE'S AT HE CAN ONLY GET A PRIVATE ROOM; IT'S GOING TO TAKE A LOT MORE MONEY.
HOSPITALS LATELY DON'T LIKE COMA PATIENTS LIKE MY FATHER BEING THERE FOR A LONG TIME.
UP UNTIL NOW, WELL I'D HAD RIDING SCHOOL, AND I BEGGED THEM TO LET ME USE THE MONEY I BORROWED FROM YOU TO LET HIM STAY THERE.

600,000 YEN.
HOW MUCH DOES IT TAKE A MONTH?
EVEN IF YOU ENTERED TWO COMPETITIONS A MONTH, AND WON EVERY RACE... THAT WOULD TAKE ALL THE MONEY YOU EARNED!
600,000 YEN!?
AT YOUR RANK OF A-3, EVEN IF YOU WIN EVERY SINGLE CHALLENGE RAGE YOU'RE ONLY GOING TO GET ABOUT 300,000.
AWFUL...
HOW...
ACTUALLY,
EVEN THAT WOULDN'T BE ENOUGH.

SO YOUR ONLY OPTIONS ARE TO USE AN EXPENSIVE BUT FREE PRIVATE ROOM, OR FIND A HOSPITAL FAR AWAY FROM THE CITY.
HOSPITALS THAT WILL TAKE A PLACE LIKE MY DAD... THEY'LL LET HIM STAY IN THE OPEN ROOMS FOR FREE BUT AROUND THE CITY YOU'VE OFTEN GOT TO WAIT 2 YEARS FOR AN OPEN SPOT.
THAT'S JUST HOW IT IS.

BUT UNTIL THEN I JUST HAD AN EXPENSE LIMITER AND IT TOOK 44,400 YEN...
THEY ARE NOW, BECAUSE I GOT HIM CLASSIFIED WITH A CLASS-1 DISABILITY.
BUT THE TREATMENT FEES ARE FREE, RIGHT?
JUST THE ROOM COSTS 480,000 A MONTH.
THE RENTAL FOR THE PAJAMAS AND SHEETS WAS ABOUT 50,000 YEN.
50,000 TO CHANGE HIS DIAPERS. 24,000 TO FEED HIM FROM A NOSE TUBE.
AND THE RATE FOR THE ROOM IS 16,000 YEN A DAY.

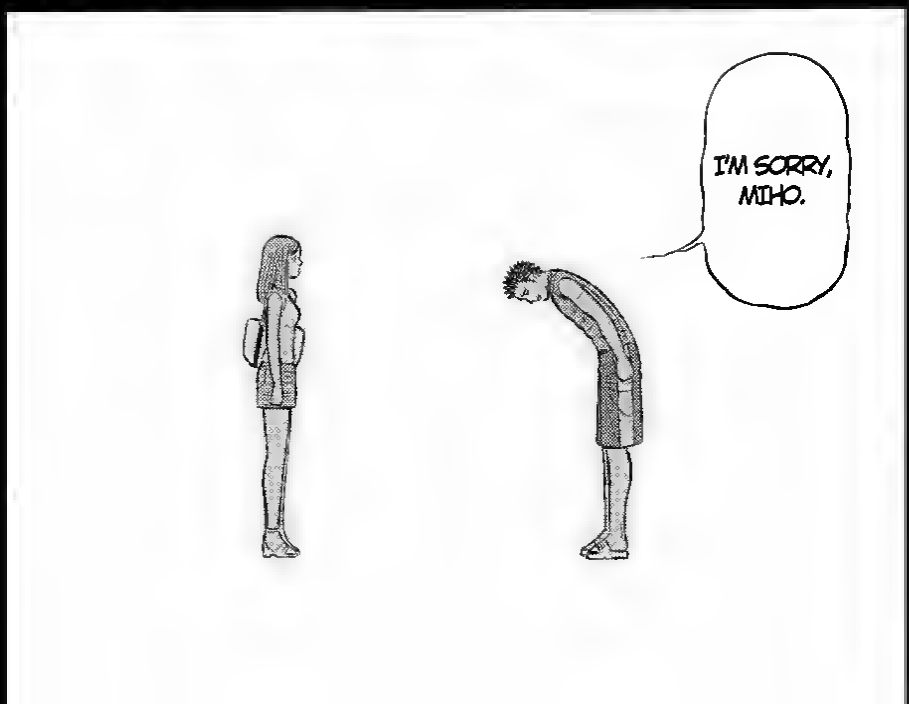
480,000!
THAT'S ENOUGH TO RENT A LUXURY CONDOMINIUM!
A UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL CAN COST MORE THAN 1,000,000.
1,000,000...
MY DAD HAD A SEIZURE ONCE...
IT WAS JUST ONCE, YOU KNOW.
BUT THEY DON'T LIKE TO LET PATIENTS WHO MIGHT HAVE SEIZURES THAT STAY IN THE COMMON ROOMS...
IF YOU PUT ALL THOSE EXPENSES TOGETHER,
IT'S 600,000 A MONTH...
THAT'S HOW IT IS.

I ALWAYS HATED MY DAD.
HE HAD AN ACCIDENT WHILE HE WAS DRIVING, AND KILLED MY MOM AND MY LITTLE SISTER,
AND HE WAS THE ONLY ONE WHO SURVIVED.
AND HE WAS THE ONLY ONE WHO SURVIVED.

AND HE KEEPS LIVING, LIKE THIS...
A LOT OF TIMES I'VE THOUGHT...
THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER IF HE DIED.

I TOLD THAT TO MASTER ONCE AND HE HIT ME.
HE SAID THERE WAS NOBODY IN THIS WORLD WHO DESERVED TO DIE.
SO I SWORE I'D NEVER THINK IT AGAIN.

I'M REALLY HAPPY YOU FEEL THAT WAY, MIHO. BUT I DON'T HAVE TIME TO GO OUT WITH A GIRL RIGHT NOW.
BUT THIS IS JUST HOW THINGS ARE.
THIS IS HOW THINGS ARE FOR ME.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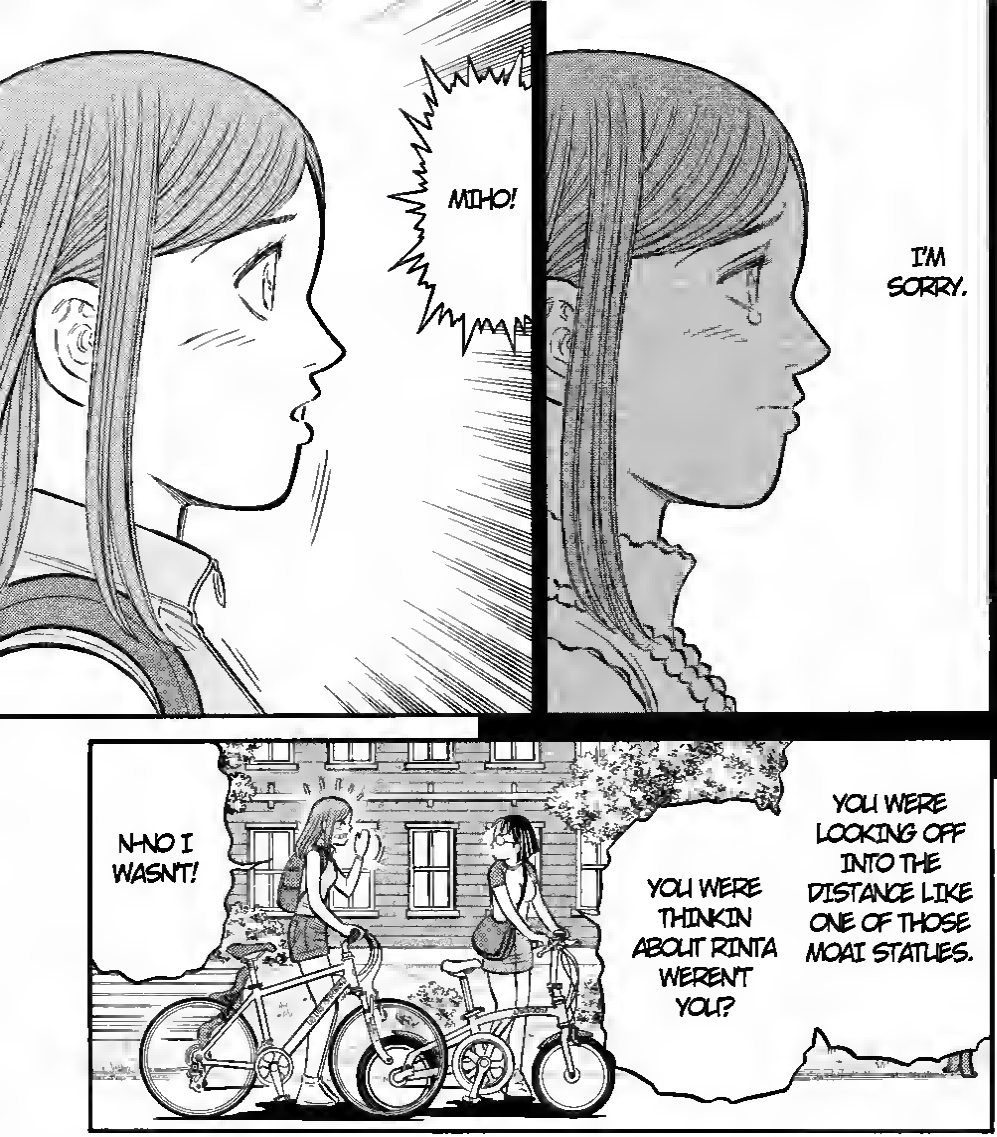
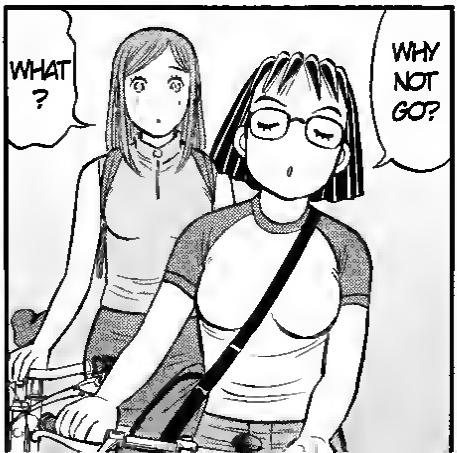
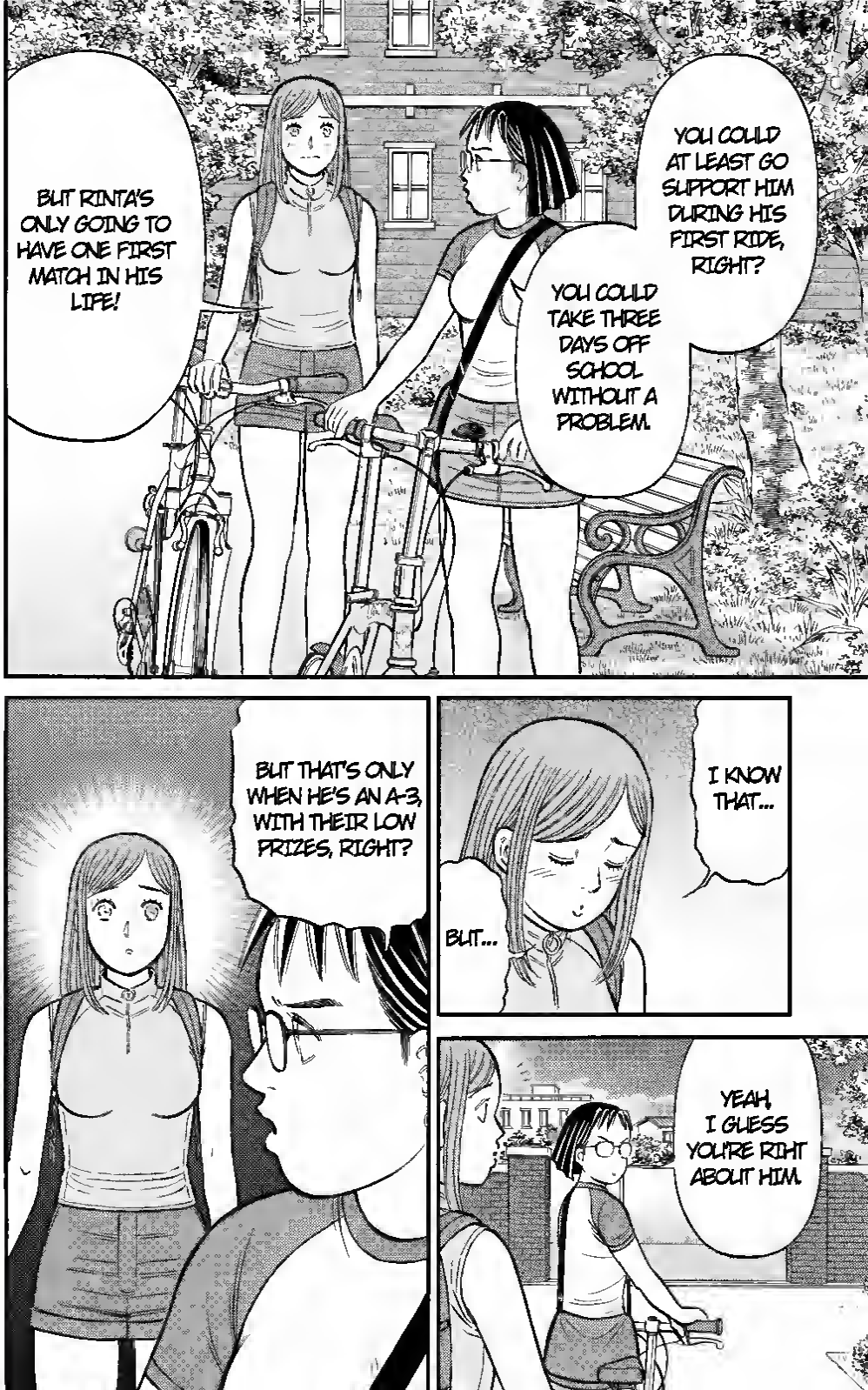
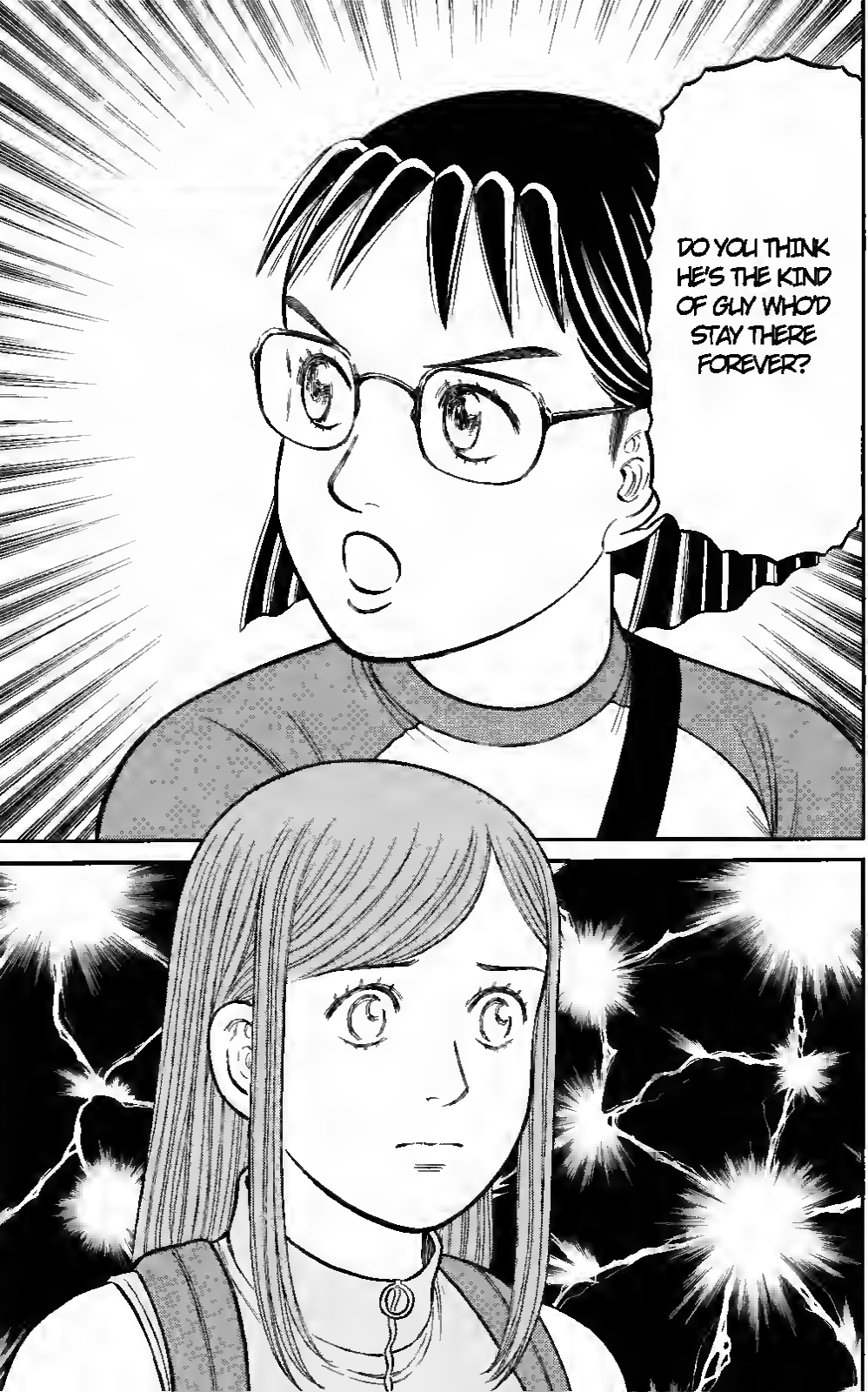

MIHO!
I'M SORRY.

N-NO I WASN'T!
YOU WERE THINKIN ABOUT RINTA WEREN'T YOU?
YOU WERE LOOKING OFF INTO THE DISTANCE LIKE ONE OF THOSE MOAI STATUES.

RINTA'S ALREADY IN HAKODATE.
IT'S INSPEC TION DAY;


WHAT ?
WHY NOT GO?


BUT RINTA'S ONLY GOING TO HAVE ONE FIRST MATCH IN HIS LIFE!
YOU COULD TAKE THREE DAYS OFF SCHOOL WITHOUT A PROBLEM.
YOU COULD AT LEAST GO SUPPORT HIM DURING HIS FIRST RIDE, RIGHT?
BUT THAT'S ONLY WHEN HE'S AN A-3, WITH THEIR LOW PRIZES, RIGHT?
BUT...
I KNOW THAT...
YEAH, I GUESS YOU'RE RIHT ABOUT HIM.


DO YOU THINK HE'S THE KIND OF GUY WHO'D STAY THERE FOREVER?

I SEE YOUR SITUATION.
THAT MEANS
YOU'VE GOT ONLY ONE THING TO DO.
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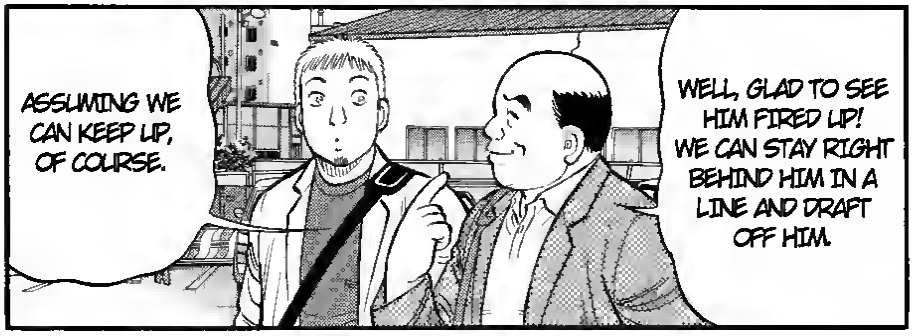
YES.
TEAM
WIN EVERY MATCH!
THAT'S YOUR ONLY OPTION!

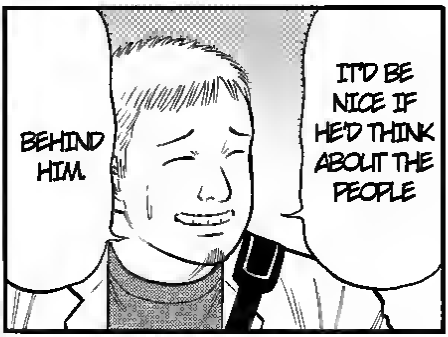
RIGHT!
1着1着1着の完全優勝を3場所続ければすぐにA級2班に特別昇班できる!!
IF I WIN 1ST PLACE IN ALL THREE RACES AT THREE SEPERATE EVENTS, I CAN QUICKLY GET PROMOTED TO A-2
I CAN GET MORE THAN 600,000 YEN AT JUST ONE EVENT!
A級2班になり初日特選から1着1着1着の完全優勝をすれば…
IF I GET TO A-2 AND THEN WIN ALL THREE RACES...
Sea-Side Bank HAKODATE

WIN EVERY RACE HERE!
ALRIGHT!
THEN THERE'S ONLY ONE THING TO DO!

HAHA HA.
MOST OF THE TIME ROOKIES ARE SCARED AS HELL.
HE WENT FROM COMPLAIN ING TO ALL FIRED UP.
YEAH.
RAWR!!
HE SEEMS REALLY INTO IT.


ASSUMING WE CAN KEEP UP, OF COURSE.
WELL, GLAD TO SEE HIM FIRED UP! WE CAN STAY RIGHT BEHIND HIM IN A LINE AND DRAFT OFF HIM.

HWH? I'VE NEVER SEEN YOU BEFORE. YOU NEW?
UM, HI.
HAKODATE KEIRIN


BEHIND HIM.
IT'D BE NICE IF HE'D THINK ABOUT THE PEOPLE

WE NEED TO BE FIRED UP TOO!
ANYWAY, IF WE'RE IN THE SAME RACE AS HIM,

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YES, I'M WITH THE TOKYO KEIOUKAKU RIDERS, 96TH GRADUATATI NG CLASS.
RINTAROU TSUJIDOU.
TSUJI DOU?
YOU'RE THAT TSUJIDOU!
I'M KOMATSU, THE MANAGER OF THE RIDER'S DORM.
IF THERE'S SOMETHING YOU DON'T KNOW JUST ASK ME.
KODATE
OK, THANKS ...
TSUJI DOU...
I HEARD THE NAME...
YOU AKIYA'S STUDENT, TSUJIDOU?
検車場
THAT AGAIN!?
THE GUY WHO GOT SMACKED ON HIS ASS WITH A PRACTICE KATANA MORE THAN ANYBODY IN HISTORY?
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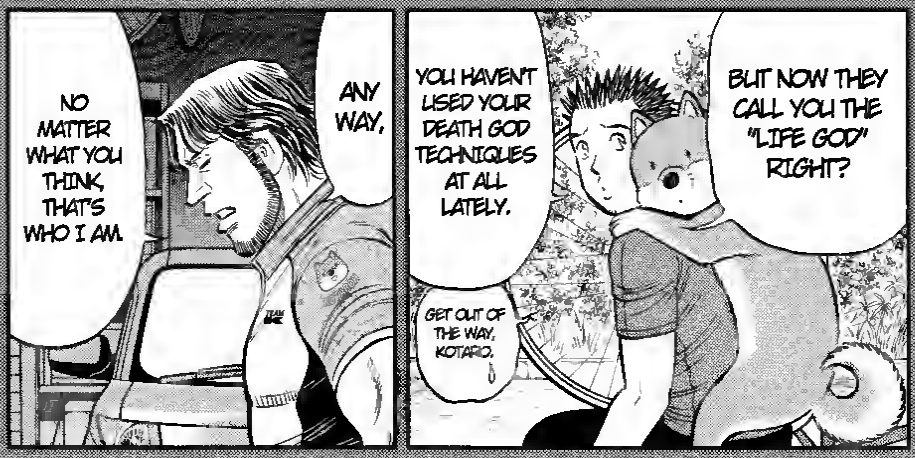
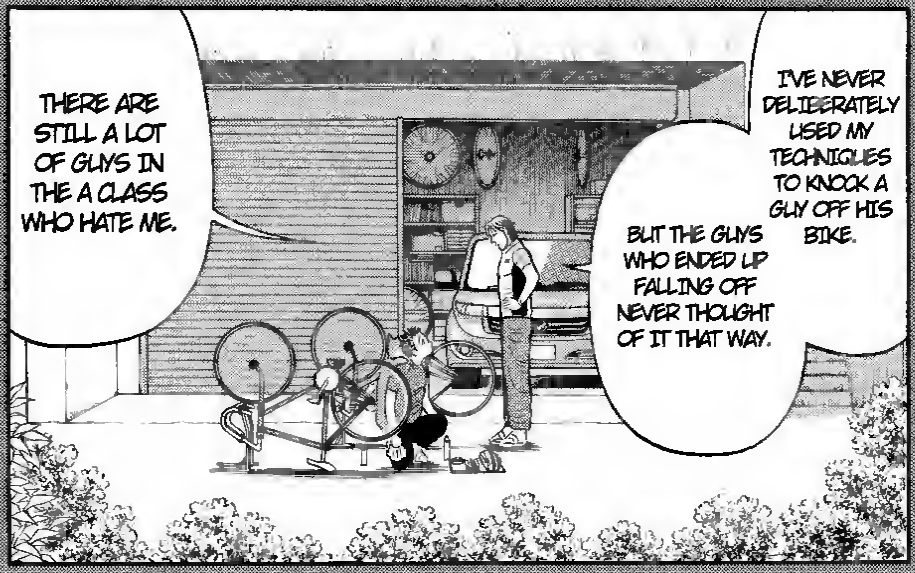
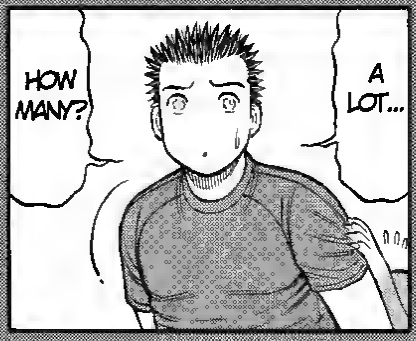
HEY, YOU'RE HERE EARLY
JINGA WA
HAKODATE KEIRIN
HUH?
HOHO... I GUESS YOUR MASTER...
HAS TOLD YOU MY NAME BEFORE?
RINTAROU, THERE'S SOMETHING I'VE GOTTA TELL YOU.
WHAT IS IT, MASTER?
YOU KNOW HOW I USED TO BE...
NO, I STILL AM, CALLED THE "DEATH GOD?"


BUT NOW THEY CALL YOU THE "LIFE GOD" RIGHT?
YOU HAVEN'T USED YOUR DEATH GOD TECHNIQUES AT ALL LATELY.
GET OUT OF THE WAY, KOTARO.
ANY WAY,
NO MATTER WHAT YOU THINK, THAT'S WHO I AM.
TEAM K


I'VE NEVER DELIBERATELY USED MY TECHNIQUES TO KNOCK A GUY OFF HIS BIKE.
BUT THE GUYS WHO ENDED UP FALLING OFF NEVER THOUGHT OF IT THAT WAY.
THERE ARE STILL A LOT OF GUYS IN THE A CLASS WHO HATE ME.


A LOT...
HOW MANY?

HACHI ONCE TOLD ME THE NUMBER.
THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO HATE ME ENOUGH TO WANT TO KILL ME...
TEAM K

30!?
THERE ARE 30 OF THEM, SUPPOSEDLY.
TEAM 山太郎
ISN'T THAT A BIT OF A HIGH NUMBER, MASTER?
I'M SHOCKED, I MEAN... NO...
ANYWAY, I'D HOPED YOU DON'T END UP IN THE SAME MATCH AS THEM.
I WAS SURPRISED WHEN I HEARD IT TOO.
THE ERRORS OF YOUTH.
TEAM K

THERE'S ONE IN THE CHALLENGE RACE FOR YOUR FIRST MATCH...
A GUY IN HOKKAIDO NAMED TSUNEO JINGAWA.

THERE' NEVER BEEN A DAY IN MY LIFE WHERE I'VE FORGOTTEN THAT.
YOUR MASTER ONCE TOOK OUT MY FAVORITE STUDENT.
BECAUSE OF THAT HE HAD TO QUIT RACING.

MAKE SURE YOUR FIRST RACE...
MAKODATE KEIRIN
DOESN'T BECOME YOUR LAST, KID!
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HEY, JINGAWA!
HAKODATE KEIRIN
DON'T DO ANYTHING ROUGH TO A NEW RIDER!
I GUESS THAT'S MY FATE.
BUT I'M NOT GONNA LOSE!
YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT...
JEEZ, WHAT A PAIN.
IT'S "FATE".

THAT MAKES TOMORROW REALLY BAD...
WHAT WAS THE GUY WHO PUT THIS TOGETHER THINKING?
DON'T YOU GET SO FIRED UP EITHER!
YOU AND HIM ARE TOGETHER.
THE #5 CHALLENGE RACE TOMORROW...
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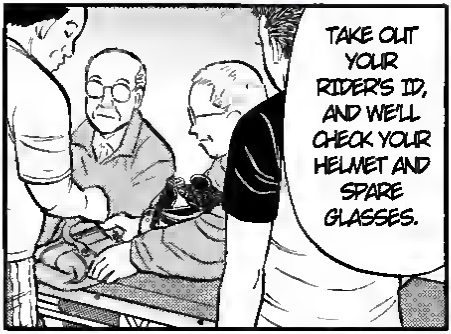
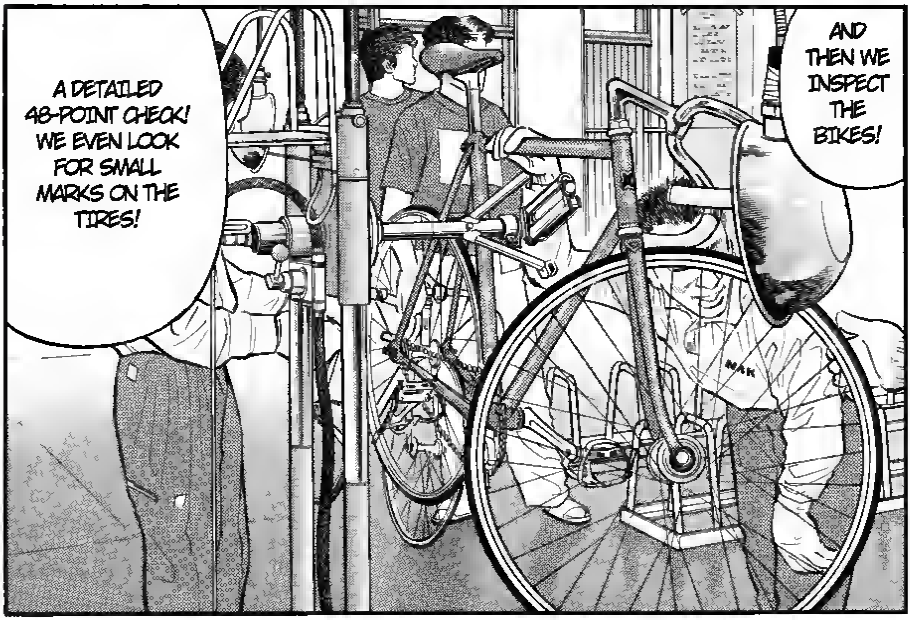
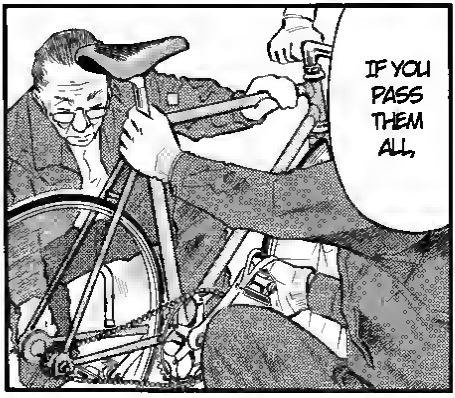
NOW THEN...
TIME TO START YOUR PRISON LIFE.
ALREADY?

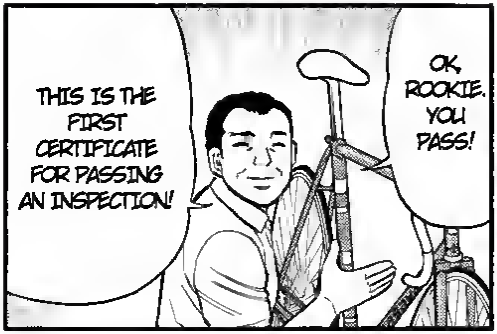

TAKE OUT YOUR RIDER'S ID, AND WE'LL CHECK YOUR HELMET AND SPARE GLASSES.

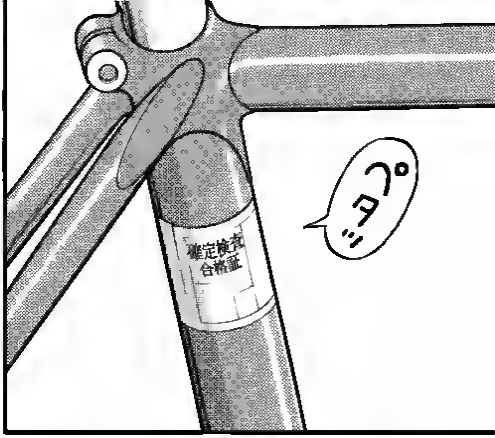
I'LL PUT YOUR CELLPHONE IN THIS BAG WITH YOUR NAME ON IT.


A DETAILED 48-POINT CHECK! WE EVEN LOOK FOR SMALL MARKS ON THE TIRES!
AND THEN WE INSPECT THE BIKES!

YOUR BIKE'S CLEARED TO USE FOR THE RACE!


IF YOU PASS THEM ALL,


THIS IS THE FIRST CERTIFICATE FOR PASSING AN INSPECTION!
OK, ROOKIE. YOU PASS!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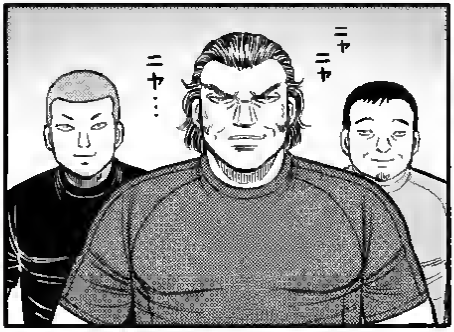
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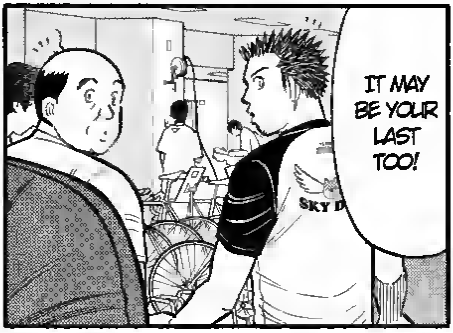
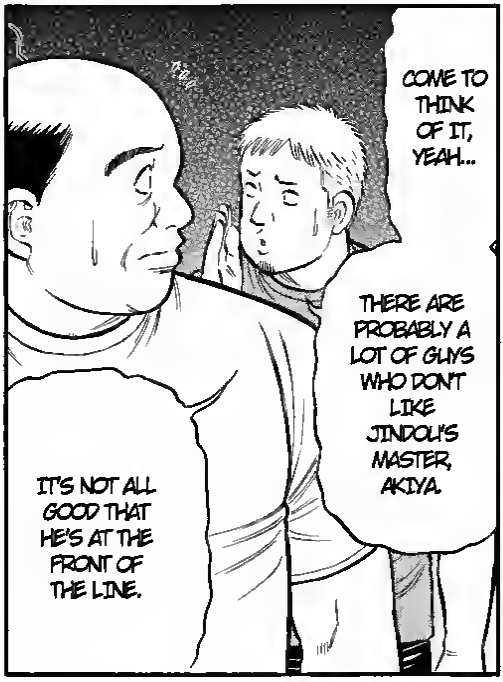
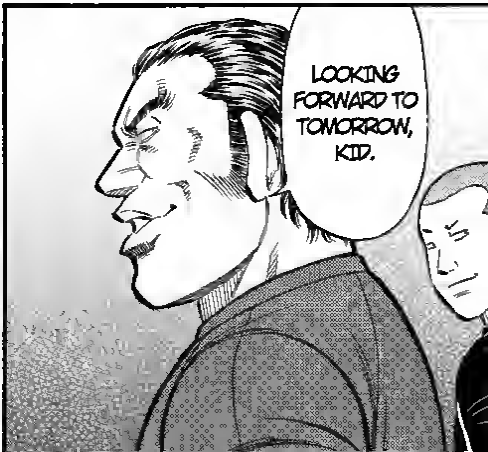

IT MAY BE YOUR LAST TOO!


COME TO THINK OF IT, YEAH...
THERE ARE PROBABLY A LOT OF GUYS WHO DON'T LIKE JINDOU'S MASTER, AKIYA.
IT'S NOT ALL GOOD THAT HE'S AT THE FRONT OF THE LINE.

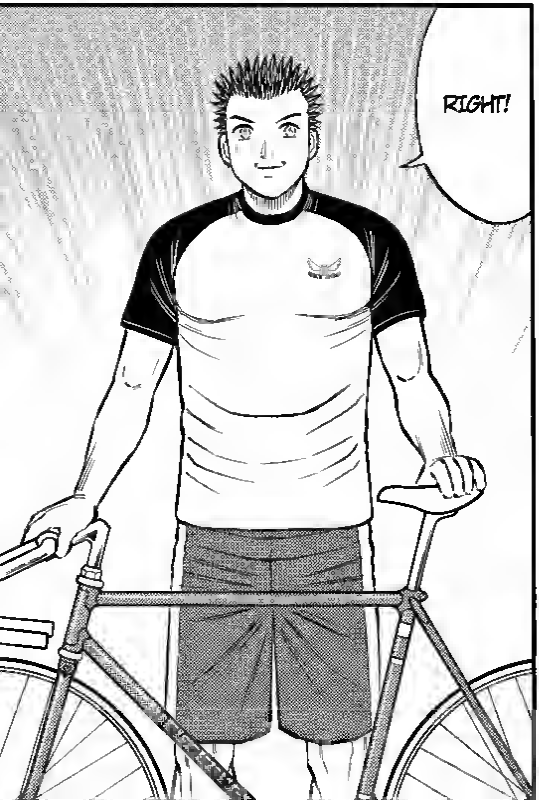
JINGA WA...

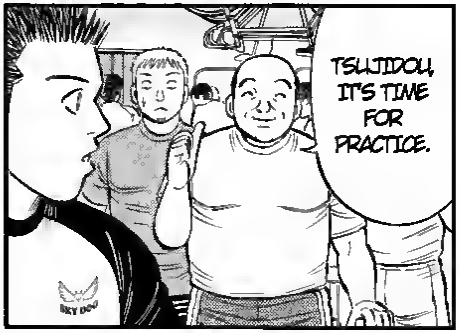

LOOKING FORWARD TO TOMORROW, KID.

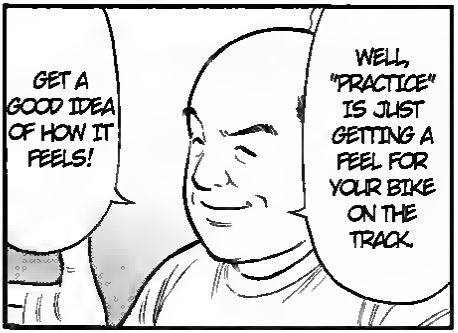
BUT ENDURING THAT,
OVERCOM ING AND DODGING IT,
THAT'S HOW YOU CAN BECOME A REAL LEAD!

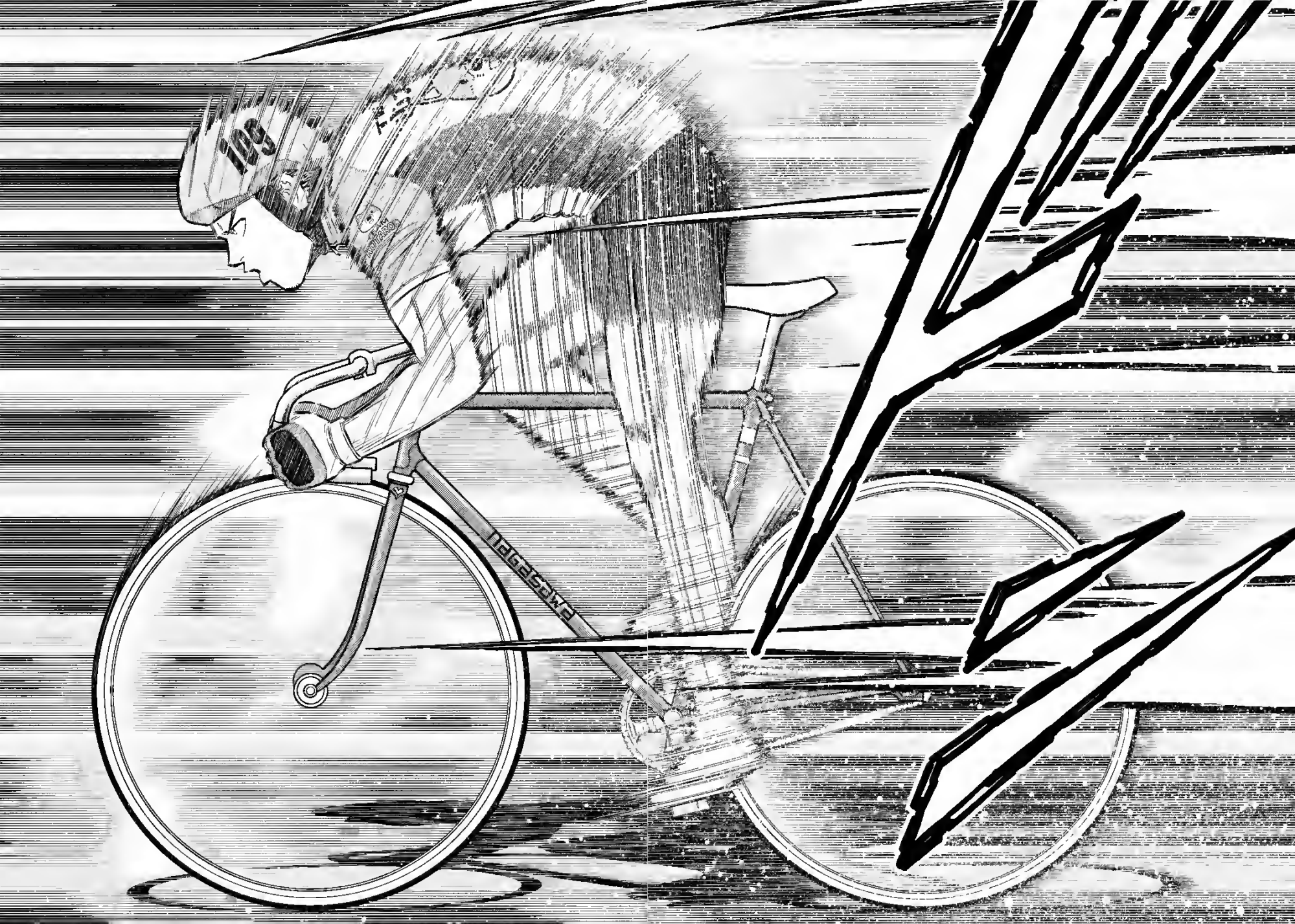
IT'S ALL THE SAME.

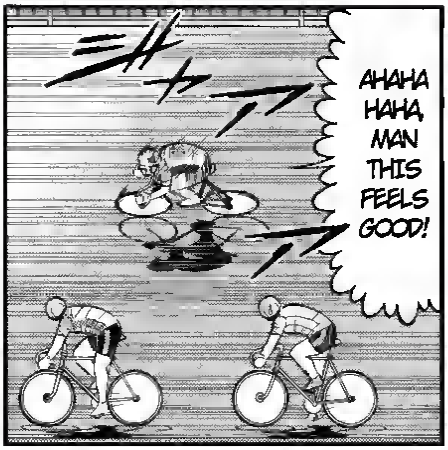
IN ANY RACE,
ONCE PEOPLE START TRYING TO GET AHEAD OF YOU THINGS GET CRAZY


RIGHT!

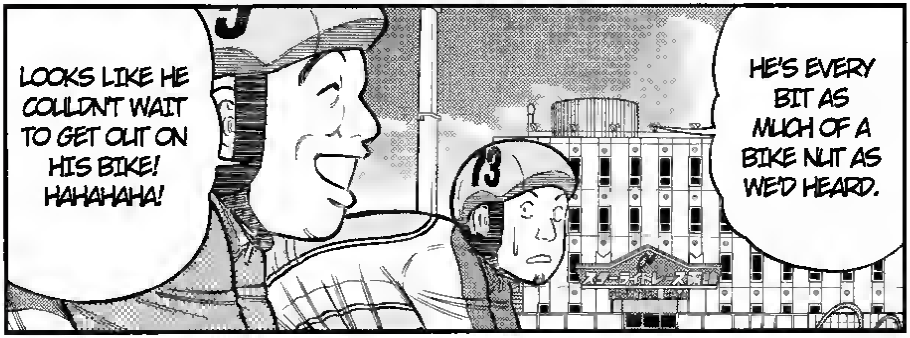

TSUJIDOU, IT'S TIME FOR PRACTICE.

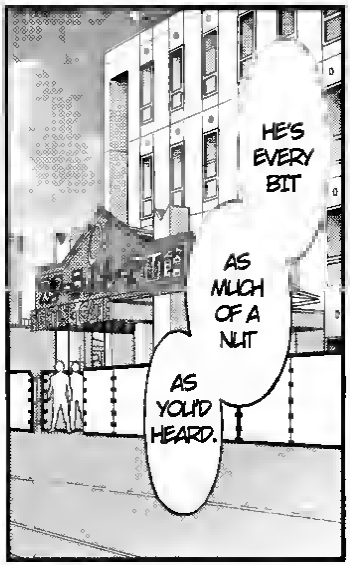

WELL, "PRACTICE" IS JUST GETTING A FEEL FOR YOUR BIKE ON THE TRACK.
GET A GOOD IDEA OF HOW IT FEELS!




AHAHA HAHA, MAN THIS FEELS GOOD!

WOW, LOOK AT HIM GO!

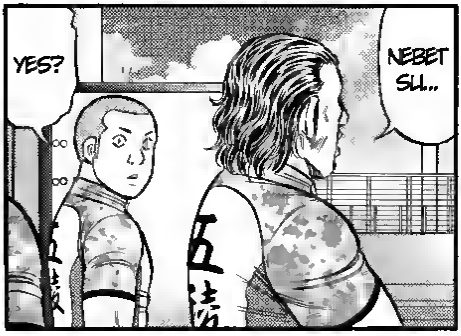

LOOKS LIKE HE COULDN'T WAIT TO GET OUT ON HIS BIKE! HAHAHAHA!
HE'S EVERY BIT AS MUCH OF A BIKE NUT AS WE'D HEARD.


HE'S EVERY BIT AS MUCH OF A NUT AS YOU'D HEARD.

YEAH!!

HAHAHA HAHA!
THIS IS JUST PRACTICE, WHY'S HE PEDDLING SO DAMN HARD?

RIGHT!
RACE 5 TOMORROW, YOU'RE LEADING THE HOKKAIDOU LINE.


YES?
NEBET SU...

YOU'RE WAY ABOVE HIM.
YOU'RE FROM THE 95TH... EVEN IF IT'S JUST SIX MONTHS DIFFERENCE, YOU'VE RIDDEN AS A PRO FOR THAT TIME.
DON'T GET SCARED BECAUSE HE HAD THE 5TH HIGHEST SCORE OF THE 96TH CLASS.

RIGHT! I'LL SHOW HIM HOW A PROFESSIONAL RIDES!
RACING IS...
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RAWR!

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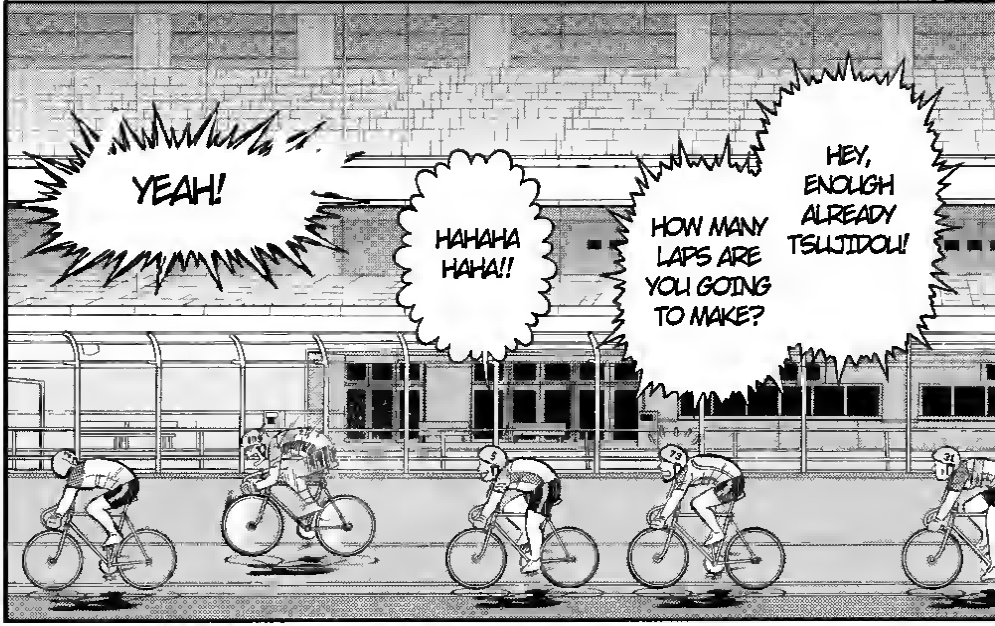
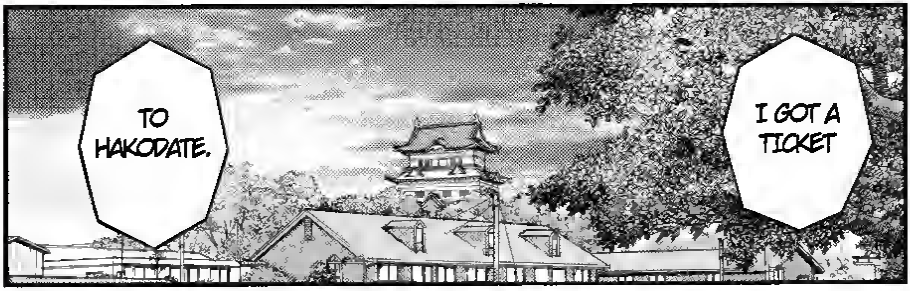
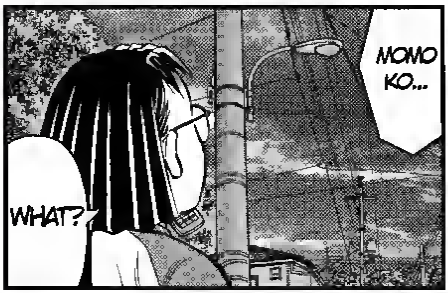
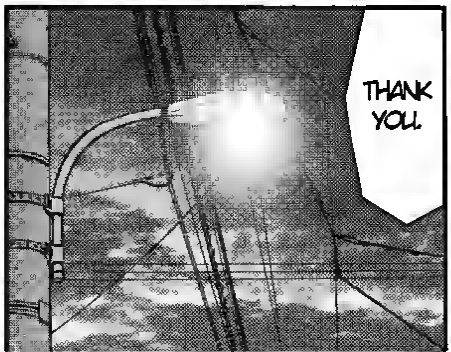
THAT YOU RIDE AS A LINE!


YEAH!
HAHAHA HAHA!!
HOW MANY LAPS ARE YOU GOING TO MAKE?
HEY, ENOUGH ALREADY TSUJIDOU!


TO HAKODATE.
I GOT A TICKET


MOMO KO...
WHAT?


THANK YOU.

YEAH.
IT TOOK A LOT OF THE MONEY FROM MY PART TIME JOB.

WHEN THE RACE IS OVER, DON'T HAVE TOO MUCH FUN IN ROMANTIC HAKODATE...
BUT ONE THING, MIHO.

YEAH.
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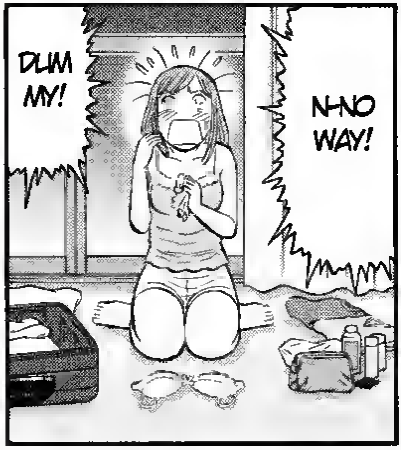
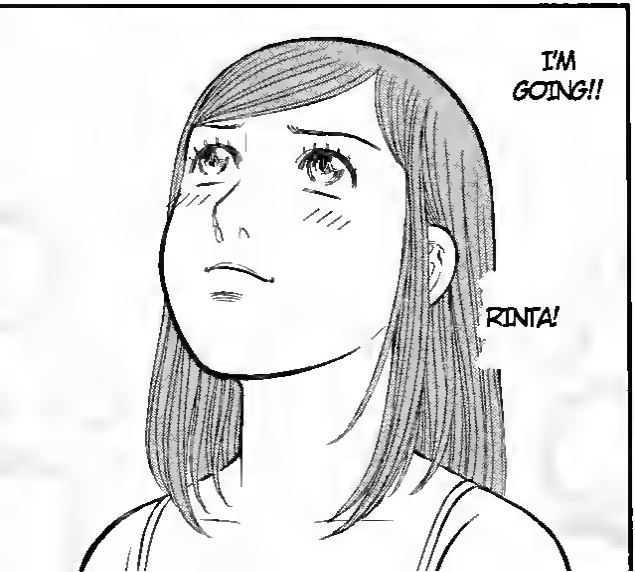

DUM MY!
N-NO WAY!

AND THEN GET PREGNANT!


I'M GOING!!
RINTA!

BUT...

ZZZ...
ZZZ...
I'M GOING TO WIN!
STRONG
親父の入院費のため
だけじゃねェ…!!
競輪っていう
険しい山を…
THIS ISN'T JUST FOR MY DAD'S MEDICAL EXPENSES! I'M GOING TO CLIMB THE STEEP MOUNTAIN OF RIDING...
誰よりも早く
かけ登ってやる!!
HIGHER THAN ANYBODY ELSE!

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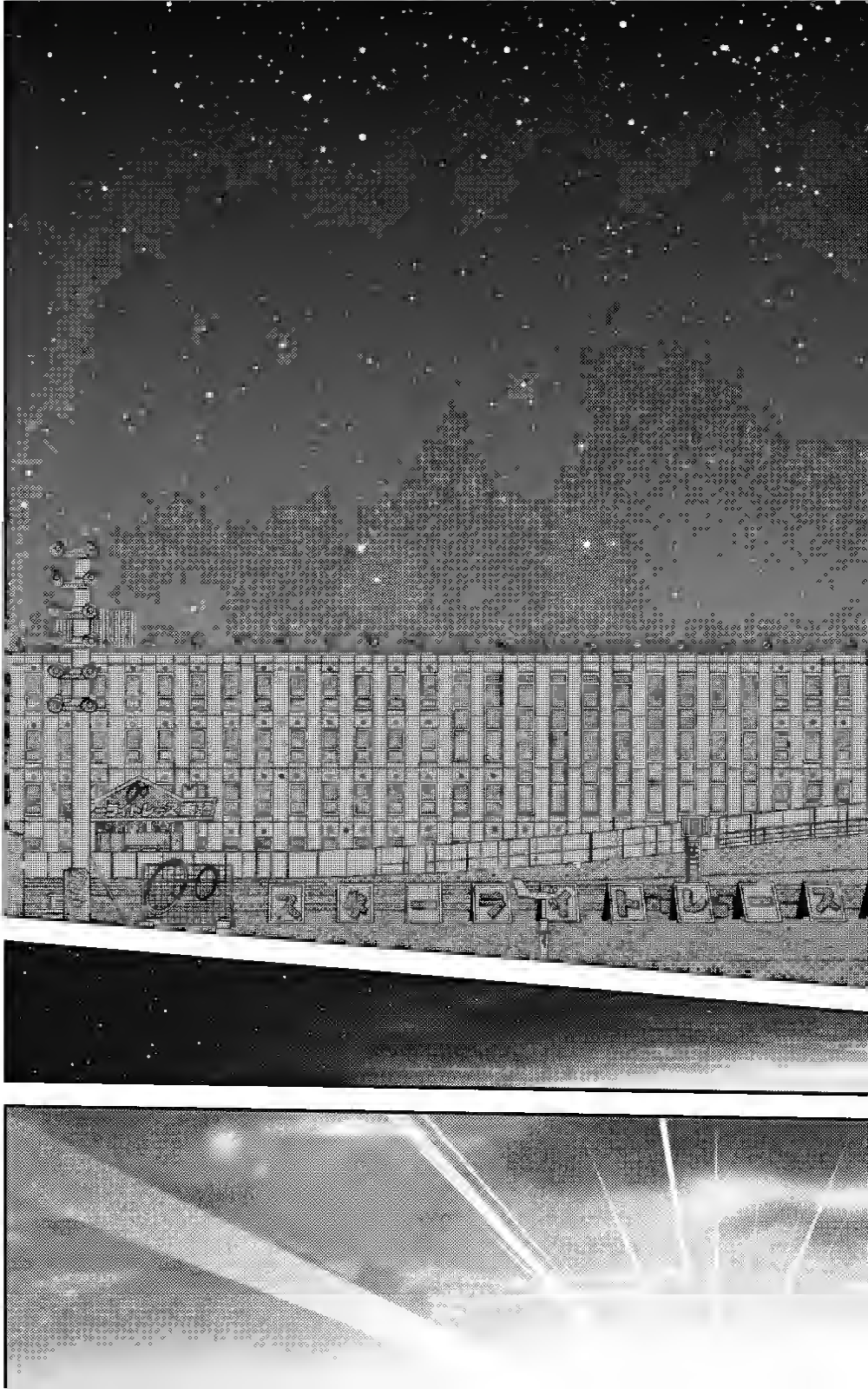
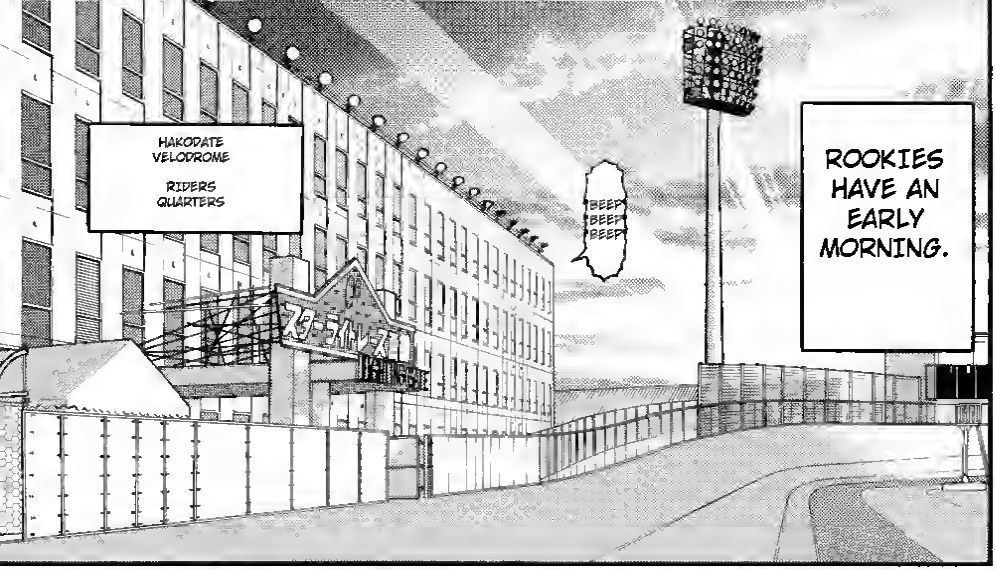
男のヨケン
A MAN'S DIGNITY




HAKODATE VELODROME
RIDERS QUARTERS
BEEP BEEP BEEP
ROOKIES HAVE AN EARLY MORNING.

TEA ...!
THAT'S RIGHT ...

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A TRADITION IN THIS WORLD!
WAKING UP AND GETTING MY "SHIZUOKA TEA" READY FOR MY SENIORS IS...
ROOKIES HAVE TO WAKE UP EARLIER THAN THE OTHER VETERAN RACERS IN THEIR ROOM...!

IT'S ANOTHER CHALLENGE FOR MY DIGNITY AS A MAN HERE AT MY DEBUT RACE!!
AND GETTING THEM TO SAY "DELICIOUS!" WHEN THEY DRINK MY TEA...
TEA THAT COSTS OVER 1500 YEN FOR 100 GRAMS!
静岡銘茶
茶匠人
DON'T GO CHEAP WHEN IT COMES TO THINGS DEALING WITH A MAN'S DIGNITY!
A MAN'S DIGNITY IS IMPORTANT FOR RIDERS!!
SO I DID JUST AS HE SAID AND BOUGHT EVERYTHING CAREFULLY...
AND THE TRICK TO MAKING DELICIOUS TEA...
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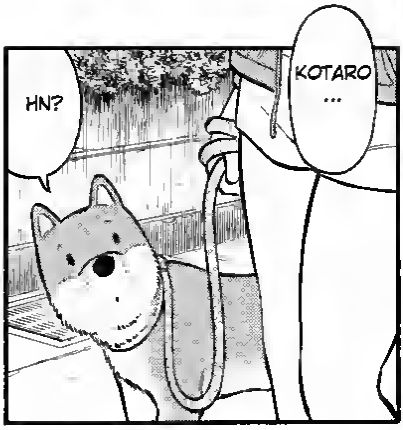
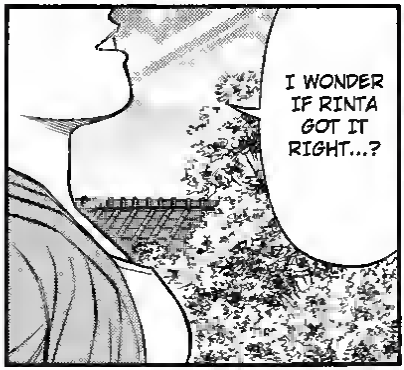
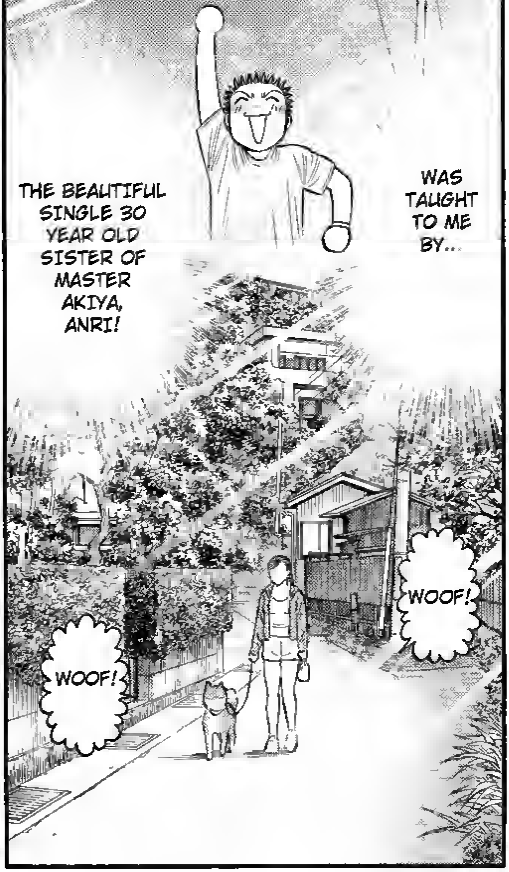

KOTARO ...
HN?


I WONDER IF RINTA GOT IT RIGHT...?


WAS TAUGHT TO ME BY...
THE BEAUTIFUL SINGLE 30 YEAR OLD SISTER OF MASTER AKIYA, ANRI!
WOOF!
WOOF!

I JUST TAUGHT HIM...
HOW TO MAKE GOOD TEA...

SO WHY CAN'T I EVEN GO TO HAKODATE AND WHY AM I STUCK HERE TAKING CARE OF KOTARO!!!
RINA IS OFF DOING HIS DEBUT RACE...!
EVEN JUN RAN OFF FOR A RACE AT THE SEIBUEN BICYCLE RACETRACK!!

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#0...
IT'S DELICIOUS!
...IN IT'S OWN WAY...
U-UMMM...
I-IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG WITH MY TEA...?
HEY... IT'S BEST NOT TO TALK TO AKIYA TODAY.
IN IT'S OWN WAY...?
HE MUST BE IN A BAD MOOD...?
AH...!
FIRST OF ALL...
まずは旨い、お茶...
CAN YOU SERVE DELICOUS TEA, RINTARO?
淹れてるか 鱗太郎(りんたろう)?
OH YEAH ... THAT "PADDLE BUTT MVP" GUY...
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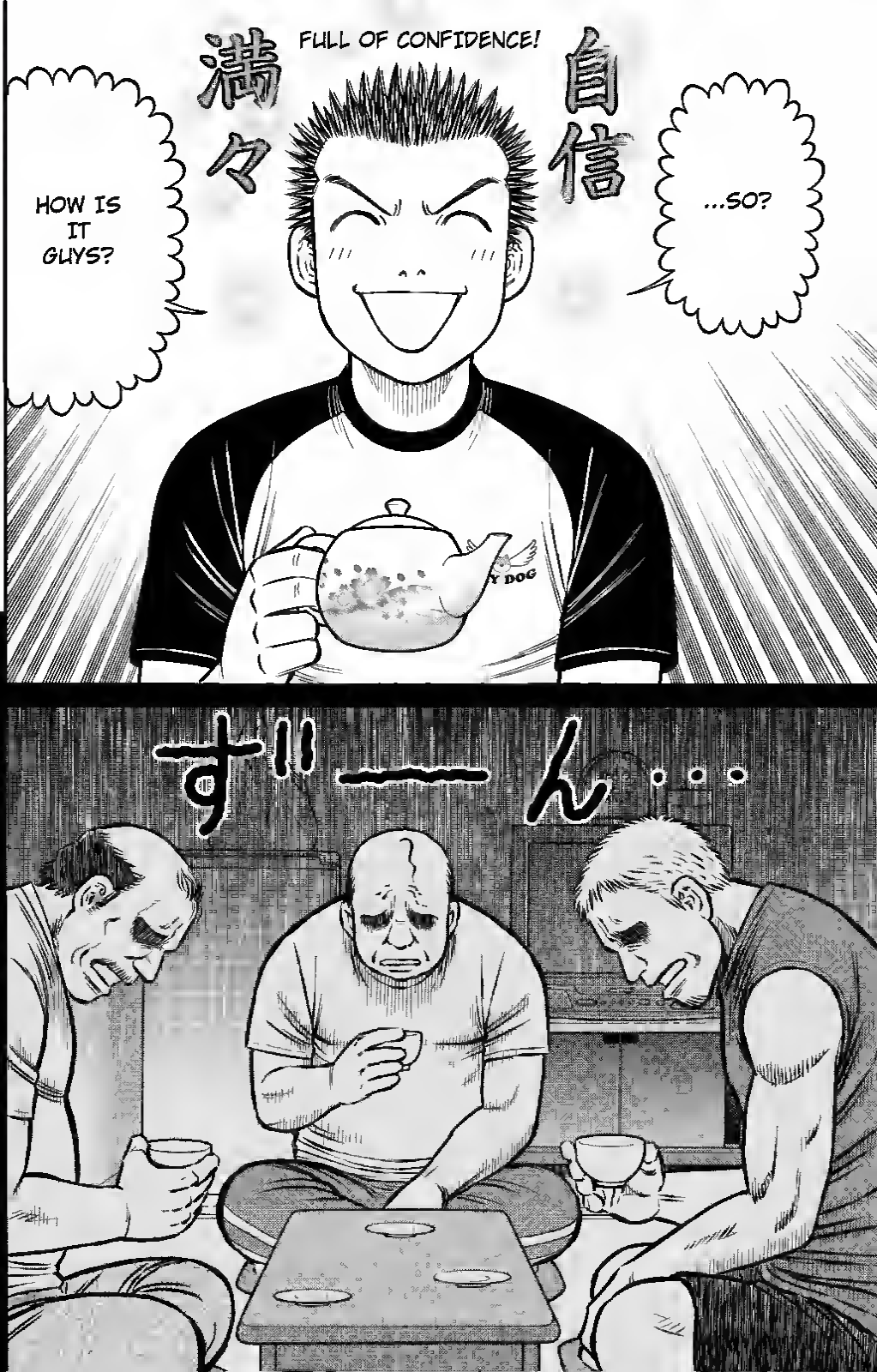
TODAY IS THE DEBUT RACE FOR ONE OF HIS STUDENTS ...
HE HAS PROBABLY BEEN WORRYING ABOUT IT ALL MORNING.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FULL OF CONFIDENCE!
自信
HOW IS IT GUYS?
...SO?
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IT'S GROSS...
ABSOLUTELY GROSS..
W-WHAT KIND OF REACTION IS THAT!?
AND THEN I WAITED FOR THE TEA LEAVES TO OPEN UP BEFORE POURING IT NICE AND THICK AT THE PERFECT TEMPERATURE!!
I BOILED THE TAP WATER UNTIL THERE WERE NO TRACES OF CHLORINE AND THEN POURED IT OUT ONCE BEFORE COOLING THE BOILING WATER...!!
W-WAIT JUST A SECOND!!
THAT...THAT'S REALLY 1500 YEN TEA!!
WHEW.. CAN'T BELIEVE THIS WHAT WE WILL BE DRINKING EVERY MORNING FOR THESE THREE DAYS...
IT MIGHT HAVE HAD THE OPPOSITE EFFECT AND KILLED IT...?
DOING ALL OF THAT..

MY DIGNITY AS A MAN IS ALREADY IN PIECES!?
DOES THIS MEAN... COMPLETE DEFEAT...!?
SKY DOG
AND MY DEAR BICYCLE IS LOCKED UP UNTIL LATER IN THE DAY SO I CAN'T TOUCH IT...
AAHH... THEY TOOK MY CELL PHONE SO I CAN'T EVEN CONTACT ANYONE TO COMPLAIN AND WHINE...
検車場
SKY DOG
HUH? HEY...
フラ
TSU-JIDO?

第2旅客ターミナル 国際線
RINTA
...
RINTA!!
I'M A LOSER RIGHT FROM THE START OF THE MORNING ...
SO PITIFUL ...
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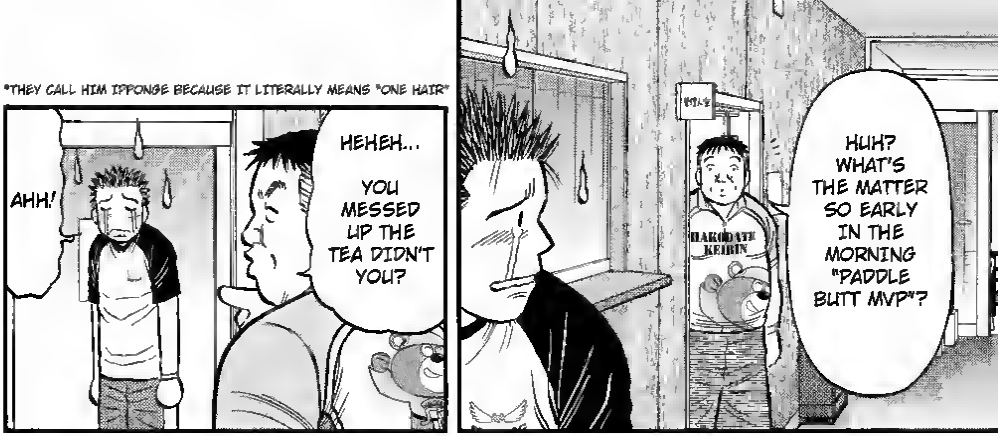
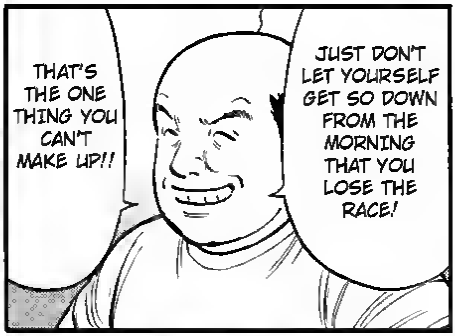
PLEASE WIN!!
I... WILL BE CHEERING YOU ON!!
I WILL CHEER WITH EVERYTHING I'VE GOT!!

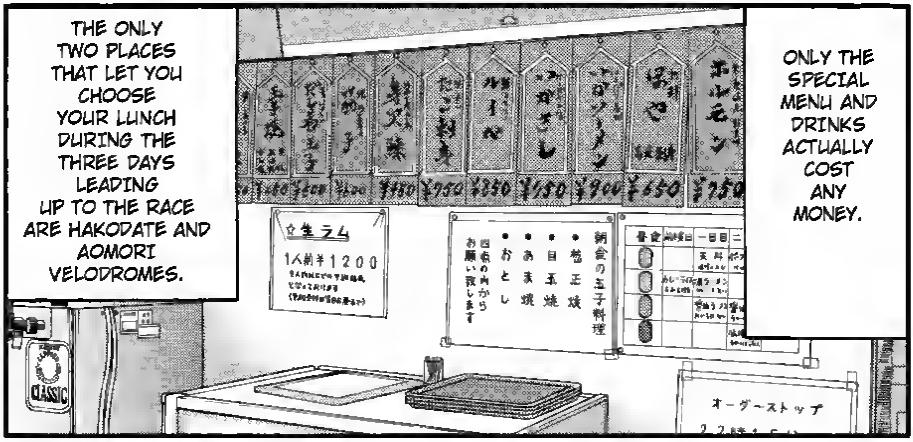
*THEY CALL HIM IPPONGE BECAUSE IT LITERALLY MEANS "ONE HAIR"





LET ME JUST GET A NORMAL BIG HELPING OF RICE.
LET ME GET A ALMOST FULL BOWL OF RICE AND MISO SOUP!
GOT IT!
I WILL BE RIGHT BACK!!

ALL THE MEALS FOR THE COMPETI-TORS DURING THE RACE ....
ARE FREE!!


THE ONLY TWO PLACES THAT LET YOU CHOOSE YOUR LUNCH DURING THE THREE DAYS LEADING UP TO THE RACE ARE HAKODATE AND AOMORI VELODROMES.
ONLY THE SPECIAL MENU AND DRINKS ACTUALLY COST ANY MONEY.
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CLASSIC
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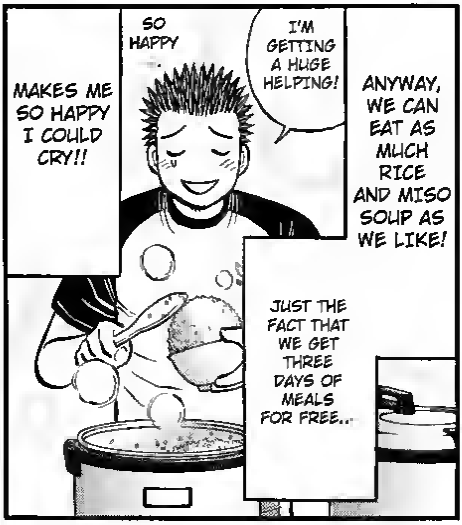
SUNNY-SIDE? OVER EASY?
HOW WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR FRIED EGG, ROOKIE?
AH...
GIVE ME THE "NEGISHO" ONE!


MAKES ME SO HAPPY I COULD CRY!!
SO HAPPY
I'M GETTING A HUGE HELPING!
ANYWAY, WE CAN EAT AS MUCH RICE AND MISO SOUP AS WE LIKE!
JUST THE FACT THAT WE GET THREE DAYS OF MEALS FOR FREE...

NEGISHO

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NOW THAT I HAVE BECOME A RIDER I HAVE THIS ALMOST EVERY MORNING!!

FRIED EGG WITH SOY SAUCE AND SLICED SPRING ONIONS!

"NEGISHO" IS A SPECIAL MENU ITEM IN THE 47 DIFFERENT BICYCLE RACE-TRACK DORMS AROUND THE COUNTRY!!

WELL WE DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO IN THE MORNING SO IT'S FINE...

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WOW... SURE EATS A LOT IN THE MORNING ...

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TIME TO EAT!!

HAH!! A PITIFUL LITTLE BRAT HUH!!

PHREE!!

WELP, PFAT'S FECAUSE FIT'S...

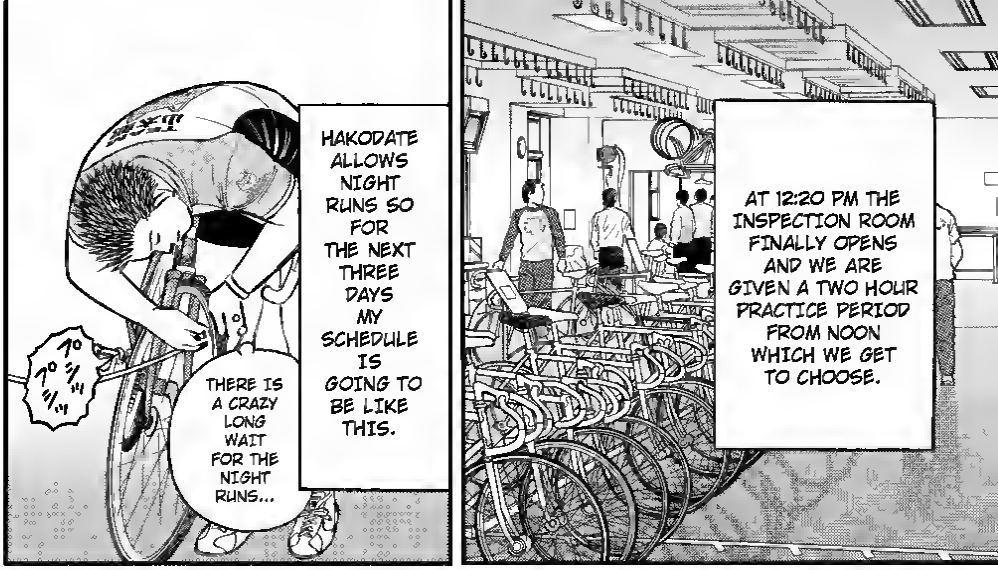
I... DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY SO I AM JUST GRATEFUL FOR A FREE MEAL...
I GUESS IF THE TEACHER IS PITIFUL THEN THAT PASSES DOWN TO THE STUDENT AS WELL!!
...
SKY DOG
BUT STILL...
BUT DON'T TALK BAD ABOUT MY MASTER!!

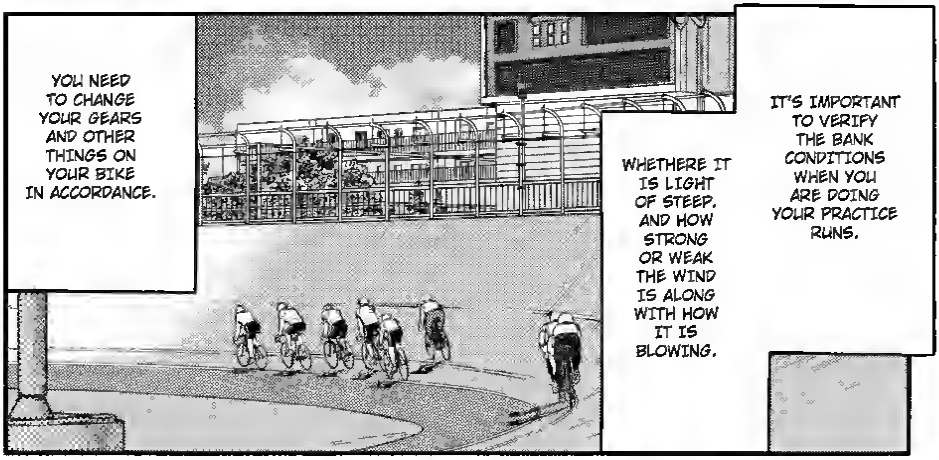
HMPH...! YOUR MASTER IS PITIFUL...!
HE WOULD DO ANY-THING HE COULD TO WIN!
HE'S A DIRTY SCHEMING LOWLIFE!
DON'T BADMOUTH ...
MASTER AKIYA!!!
SKY DOG

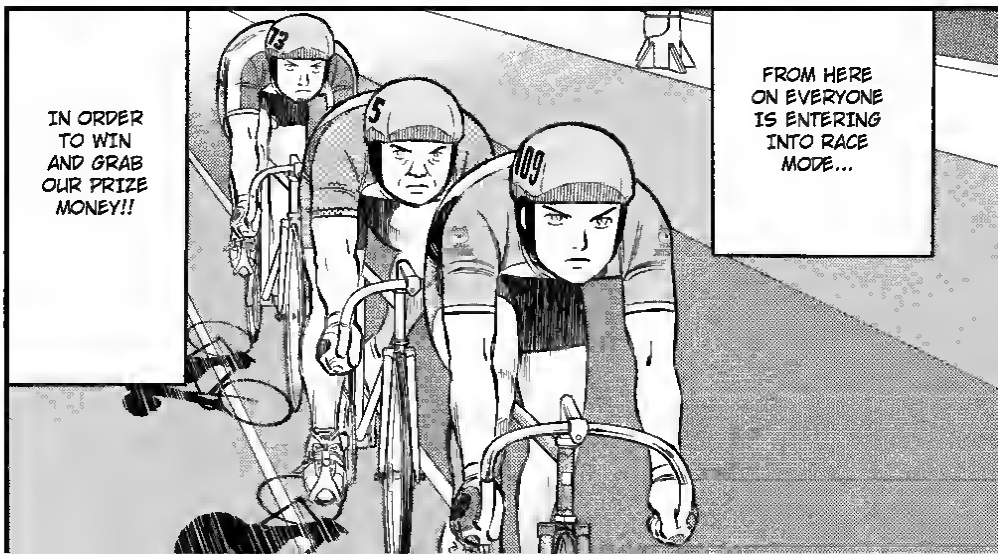
WOA WOA WOA WOAH ...
TSUJIDO! STOP IT!! SIT DOWN!
HH...
I'M GOING TO PAY IT ALL BACK TO YOU THIS TIME!
WHAT YOUR MASTER DID TO MY STUDENT ...
WHATEVER ...
THAT ARROGANT MOUTH OF YOURS AND ALL...
HEY... TSUJIDO!! HURRY UP AND EAT AND LET'S GO!
IPPONGE ...
SORRY ...
THE FIFTH CHALLENGE RACE...
LOOK FORWARD TO THE START!!

WOAAAHHHH!!!
IT'S SO DAMN KINKY!!
おぉぉーーっ!!!
TO THINK YOU COULD FIND SOMETHING LIKE THIS TO SURPRISE EVEN US PORN MAG VETERANS...!!
A-AMAZING TSUJIDO!
TOO KINKY FOR YOUR EYES.
THIS MAG IS TOO MUCH!!
AS LONG AS YOU GUYS ARE HAPPY THEN I AM HAPPY TO DEFEND MY DIGNITY AS A MAN....
AH...REALLY? I JUST MADE A TRIP TO AKIHABARA AND PICKED THAT ONE BECAUSE IT WAS A BIT EXPENSIVE...

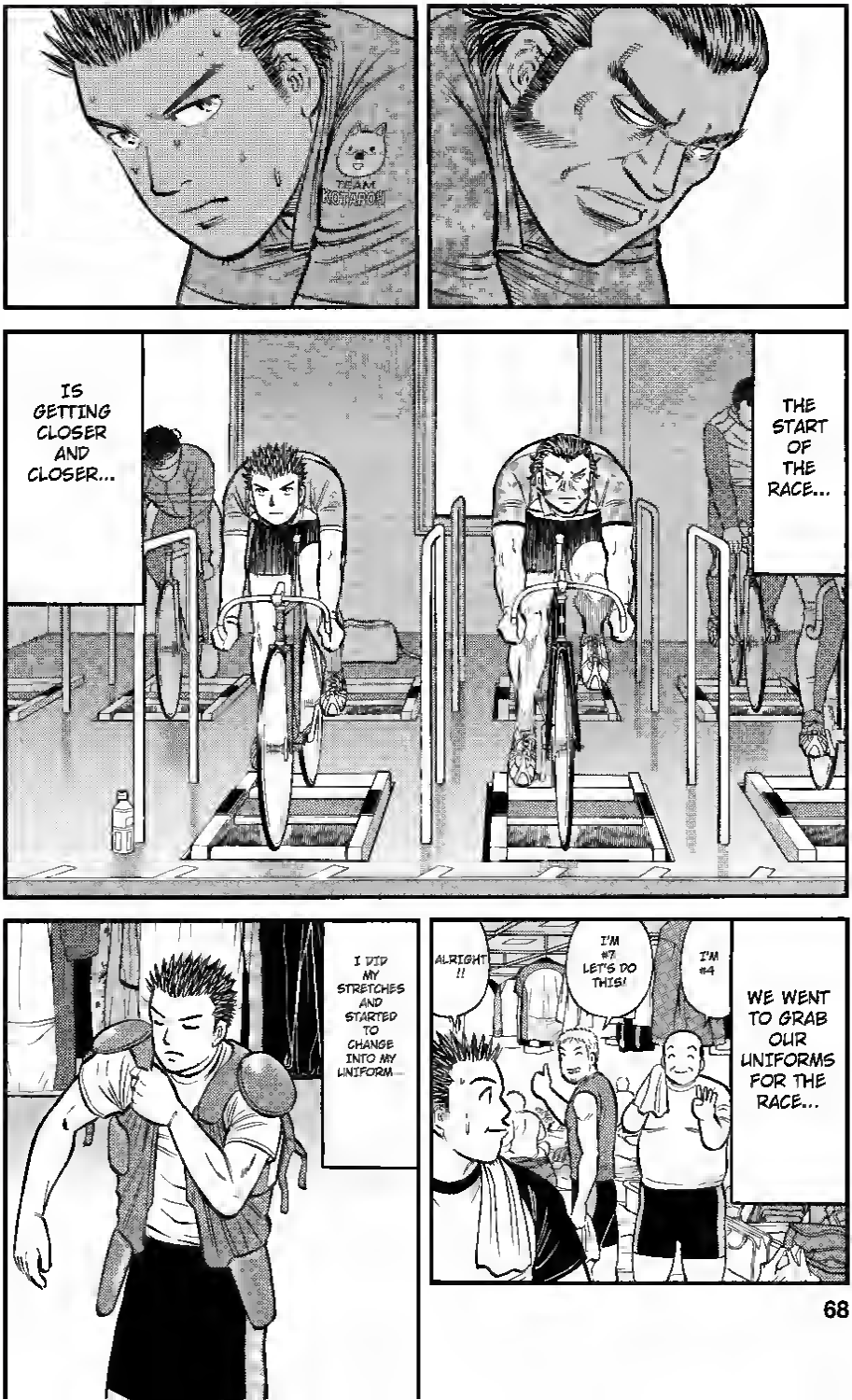
AFTER SEEING THAT PORN MAG...
I AM READY TO WIN!!
NO... A MAN'S JEWELS ARE IMPORTANT.
GWAH! HORRIBLE JOKE!!
A MAN MUST GUARD HIS DIGNITY JUST AS HE GUARDS HIS FAMILY JEWELS!
Lmfc?
AND I WILL DO MY TASK JUST AS I AM SUPPOSED TO!!
I WILL STICK BEHIND AS YOUR THIRD MAN...
I WILL NOT LET YOU DOWN... NO MATTER HOW THE HOKKAIDO LINE'S JINKAWA ATTACKS US!!
....
IDIOT.
THESE PORN MAGS SURE DO THE TRICK ...!!
IT GOT YOU TWO FIRED UP SO SUDDENLY...?
OF COURSE I WILL TOO! YOU CAN COUNT ON US TWO TO COVER YOUR BACK!!
IPPONGE ..
IZUMI ...

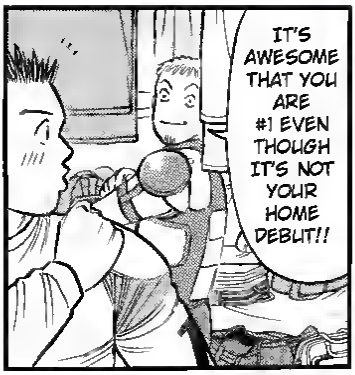

HAKODATE ALLOWS NIGHT RUNS SO FOR THE NEXT THREE DAYS MY SCHEDULE IS GOING TO BE LIKE THIS.
THERE IS A CRAZY LONG WAIT FOR THE NIGHT RUNS...
AT 12:20 PM THE INSPECTION ROOM FINALLY OPENS AND WE ARE GIVEN A TWO HOUR PRACTICE PERIOD FROM NOON WHICH WE GET TO CHOOSE.


YOU NEED TO CHANGE YOUR GEARS AND OTHER THINGS ON YOUR BIKE IN ACCORDANCE.
WHETHERE IT IS LIGHT OF STEEP, AND HOW STRONG OR WEAK THE WIND IS ALONG WITH HOW IT IS BLOWING.
IT'S IMPORTANT TO VERIFY THE BANK CONDITIONS WHEN YOU ARE DOING YOUR PRACTICE RUNS.


IN ORDER TO WIN AND GRAB OUR PRIZE MONEY!!
FROM HERE ON EVERYONE IS ENTERING INTO RACE MODE...

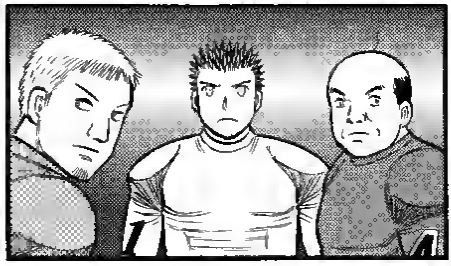
AND OF COURSE THE ROOKIES ARE BUSY.
HEY!! ROOKIE COME HELP ME!!
AH... OKAY!
TSUJIDO! COME HERE A SEC!!
OH! OKAY!!
I HAVE TO HELP OUT ALL MY SENIORS, WITH EVERYTHING FROM MAINTENANCE TO MASSAGES...
WHILE I WAS RUNNING AROUND
THE INSPECTION ROOM CLOSED SHOP ...
GOOD JOB!
AAHH! SHIT!
NEXT TIME!
I ALSO HAD TO GO GRAB MY SENIORS' BIKES AFTER THEY FINISH THEIR RACES.
UMM... I THINK I AM GOING TO UPLOAD MY TIME NOW.
OH... WELL I GUESS I WILL TOO.


TEAM KOTARO!!
IS GETTING CLOSER AND CLOSER...
THE START OF THE RACE...
I DID MY STRETCHES AND STARTED TO CHANGE INTO MY UNIFORM...
ALRIGHT !!
I'M #7 LET'S DO THIS!
I'M #4
WE WENT TO GRAB OUR UNIFORMS FOR THE RACE...


IT'S AWESOME THAT YOU ARE #1 EVEN THOUGH IT'S NOT YOUR HOME DEBUT!!

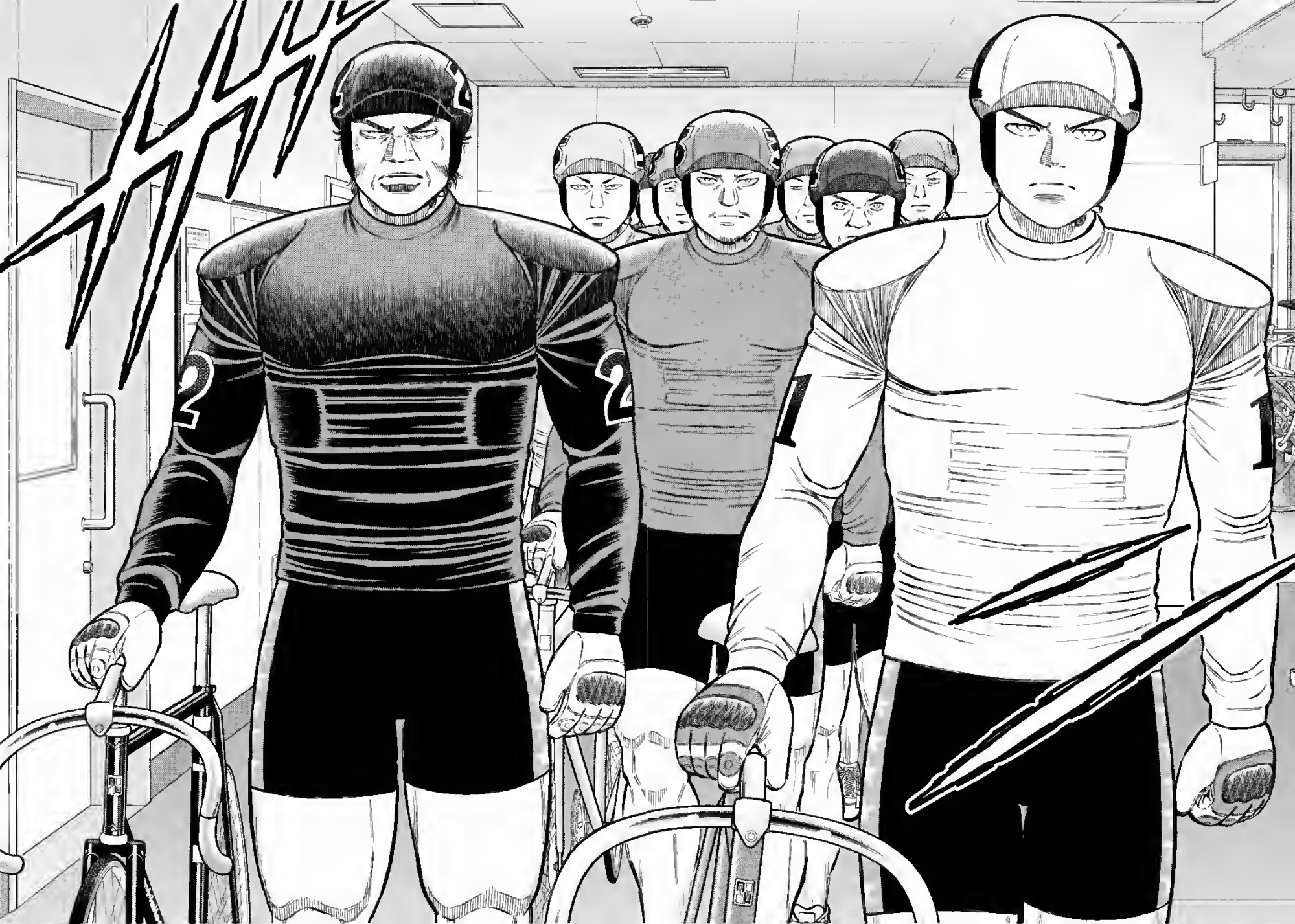
FOR MY DEBUT RACE...
I AM RIDING #1!!

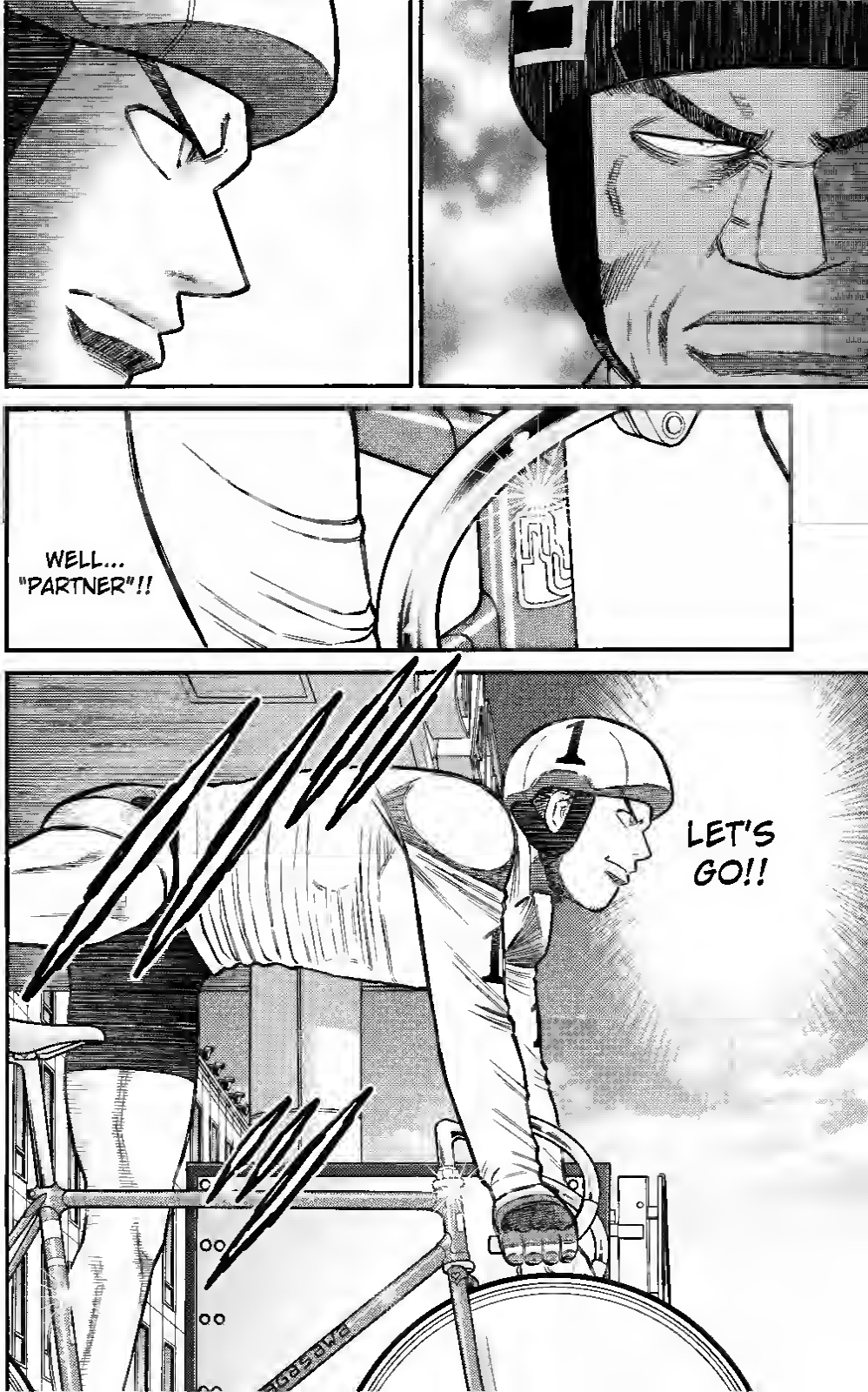
ALTHOUGH I GUESS THAT'S PERFECT FOR THE GUY AIMING FOR A PERFECT VICTORY!

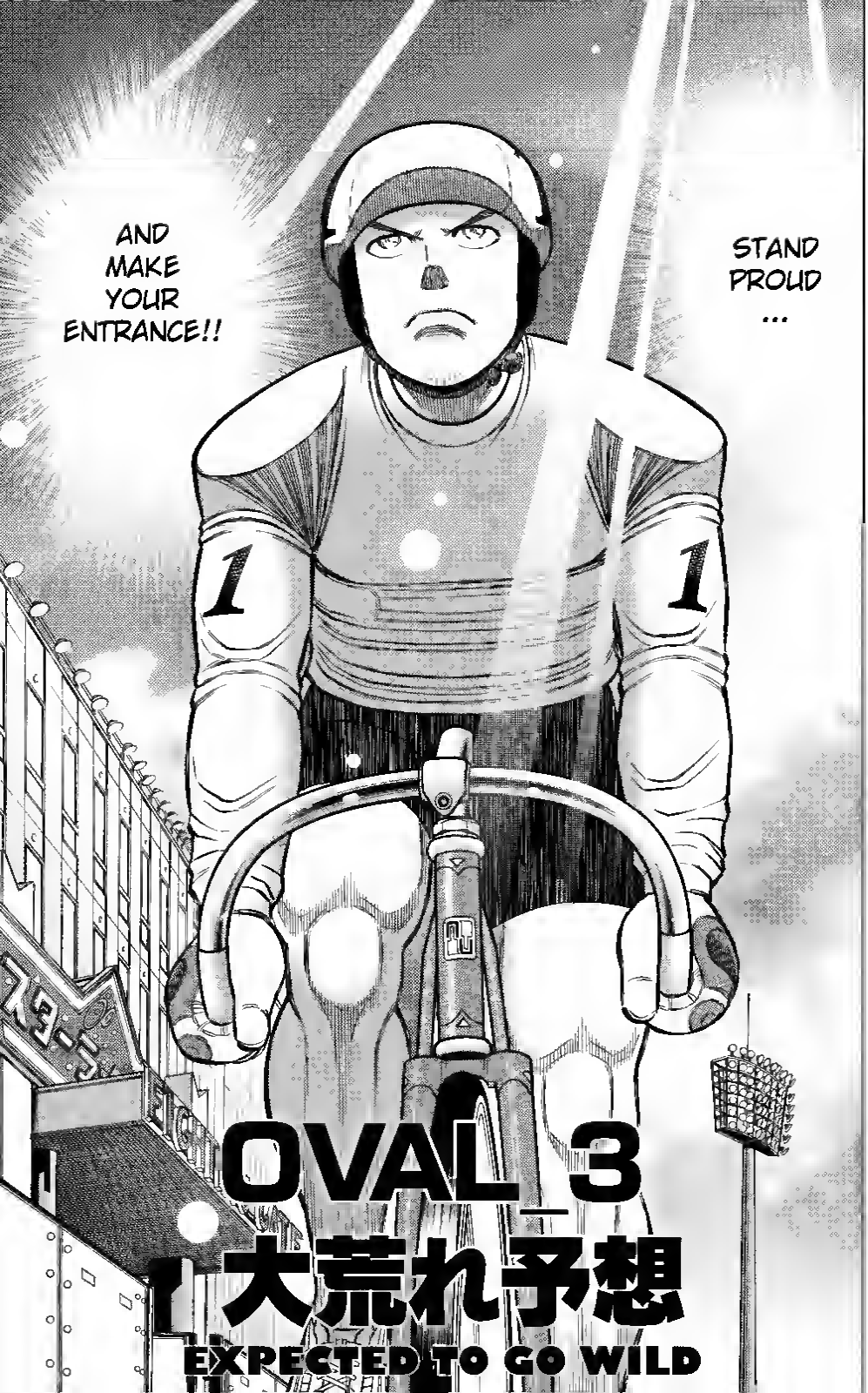


THE PARTICIPANTS FOR THE FIFTH RACE SHOULD CHANGE INTO THEIR UNIFORMS...
AND PUT ON THE SUPPLIED SHOES BEFORE WAITING IN THE PARTICIPANT'S WAITING ROOM!!

WELL... IT'S SHOW TIME!
FIRST WE GOTTA MAKE OUR ENTRANCE!
JUST RELAX AND ENJOY IT!!




WELL...
"PARTNER"!!
LET'S GO!!



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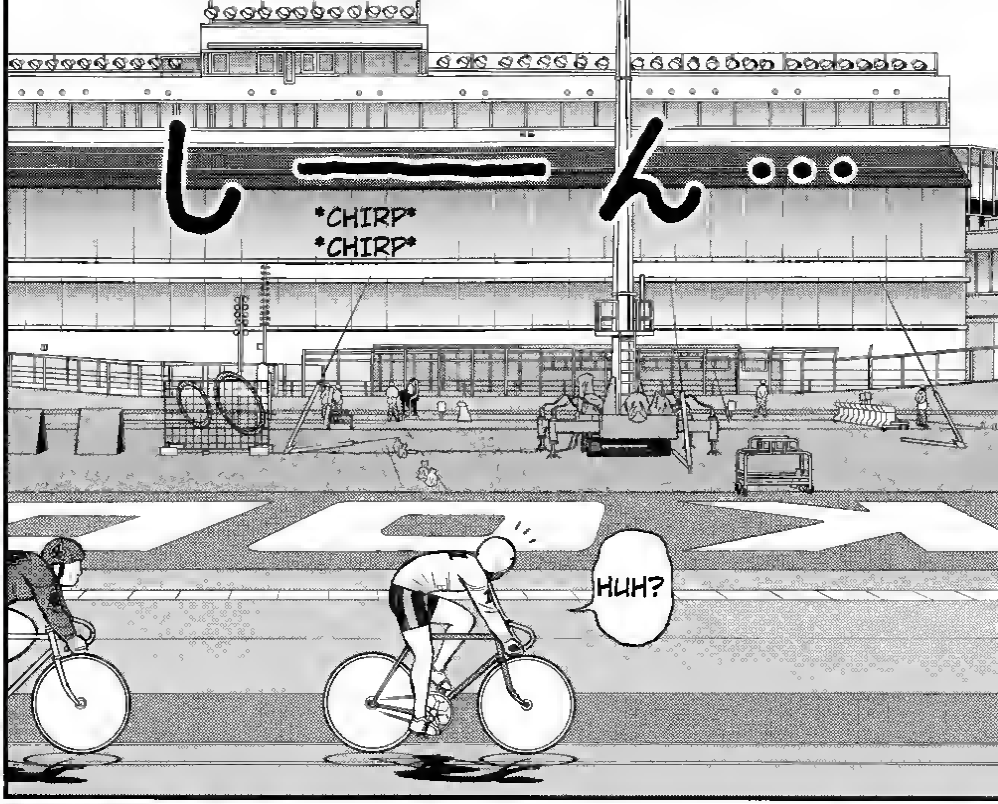
EXPECTED TO GO WILD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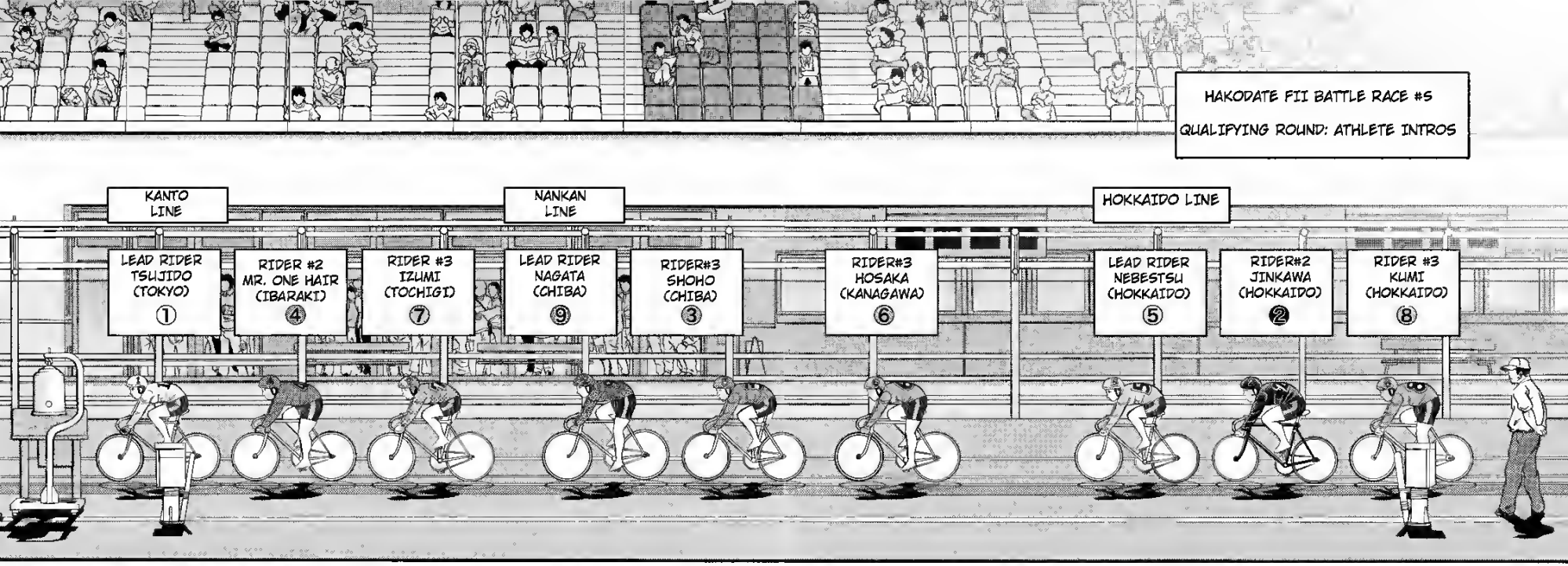
HUH?

DID YOU THINK YOU WERE GOING TO BE GREETED BY A WAVE OF CHEERS?

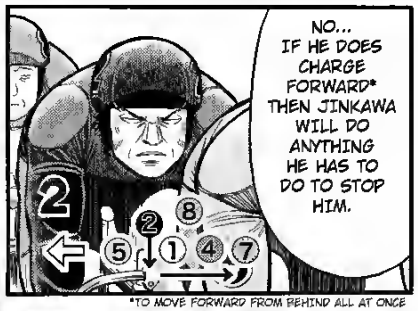
I CAN HEAR CRICKETS! CRICKETS!
WAIT A SEC...
THERE IS NO ONE EVEN HERE!!

I HAD A FEELING THERE WOULDN'T BE MANY FANS BUT...
AH... NO... I MEAN ...
I KNOW IT'S NOT A BIG RACE...

AH ...!
BUT... LOOK INSIDE MORE CLOSELY.
THERE ARE QUITE A FEW PEOPLE !!
IF YOU LOOK CLOSELY ...
THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE COMING TO WATCH BIKE RACES ARE DEFINITELY DWINDLING YEAR BY YEAR...
PLUS THE ONLY FANS NOW ARE OLDER PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN HUGE FANS SINCE THEY WERE ACTUALLY POPULAR.
BUT STILL... FOR HARDCORE FANS LIKE THAT...
WE NEED TO RIDE SO HARD THAT WE PULL THEM OUTSIDE FOR THE MAIN EVENT, TSUJIDO!!
EVEN AT 4:30 IT'S THIS HOT...
A LITTLE TOUGH FOR THE OLDER GUYS...
THAT'S WHY THEY ARE WATCHING FROM INSIDE THEIR AIR-CONDITIONED ROOM.


HAKODATE FII BATTLE RACE #5
QUALIFYING ROUND: ATHLETE INTROS
KANTO LINE
NANKAN LINE
HOKKAIDO LINE
LEAD RIDER TSUJIDO (TOKYO) ①
RIDER #2 MR. ONE HAIR (IBARAKI) ④
RIDER #3 IZUMI (TOCHIGI) ⑦
LEAD RIDER NAGATA (CHIBA) ⑨
RIDER#3 SHOHO (CHIBA) ③
RIDER#3 HOSAKA (KANAGAWA) ⑥
LEAD RIDER NEBESTSU (HOKKAIDO) ⑤
RIDER#2 JINKAWA (HOKKAIDO) ②
RIDER #3 KUMI (HOKKAIDO) ⑧

HE PLANS TO KNOCK HIM COMPLETELY OUTSIDE OF THE INSIDE LINE.
THAT TIME WAS SO BAD THAT HE ACTUALLY RETIRED COMPLETELY AFTER THE CRASH...
IN THE PAST...
JINKAWA'S STUDENT HAD AKIYA DO THE SAME THING TO HIM.
① ④ ⑦ ⑤ ② ⑧



*TO MOVE FORWARD FROM BEHIND ALL AT ONCE

AND THEN HE WILL BE STUCK DEFENDING AGAINST THE HOKKAIDO LINE FOR THE OTHER 3 LAPS.
HE ALWAYS GETS FIRED UP ABOUT TAKING THE LEAD*, EVER SINCE HIS RIDING SCHOOL DAYS.
THE KANTO LINE... TSUJIDO IS GONNA GRAB THE LEAD HUH?
⑤ ② ⑧ ① ④ ⑦ ⑨ ③ ⑥
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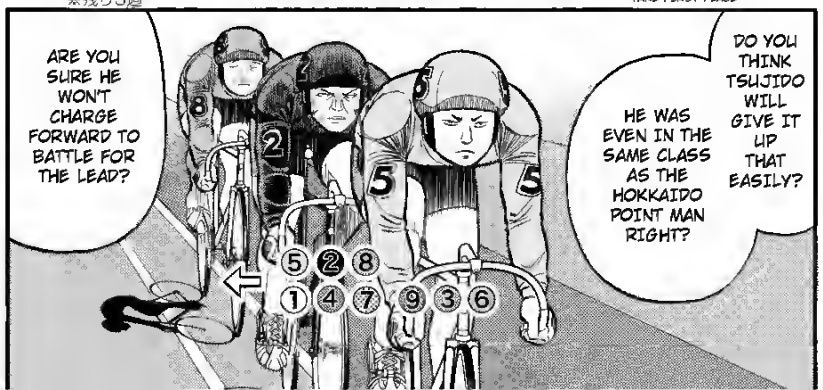
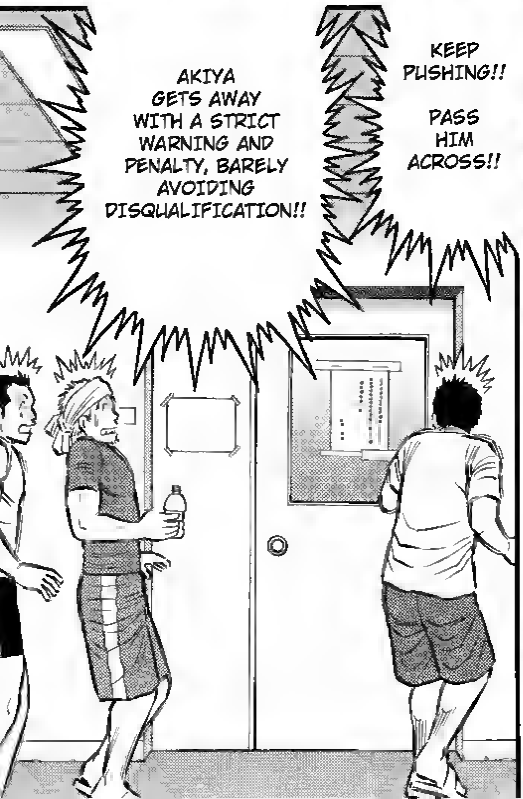
*TAKE FIRST PLACE


ARE YOU SURE HE WON'T CHARGE FORWARD TO BATTLE FOR THE LEAD?
HE WAS EVEN IN THE SAME CLASS AS THE HOKKAIDO POINT MAN RIGHT?
DO YOU THINK TSUJIDO WILL GIVE IT UP THAT EASILY?
2 8 5 5 ⑤ ② ⑧ ① ④ ⑦ ⑨ ③ ⑥

SEIBUEN VELODROME
GET AWAY YAGUNI !!
GAH!
LET'S GO AKIYA!!
AL-RIGHT !!
F1 BATTLE, S RANK SEMI-FINALS

SECOND PLACE, AKIYA!!!
FIRST PLACE, YAGUNI!!

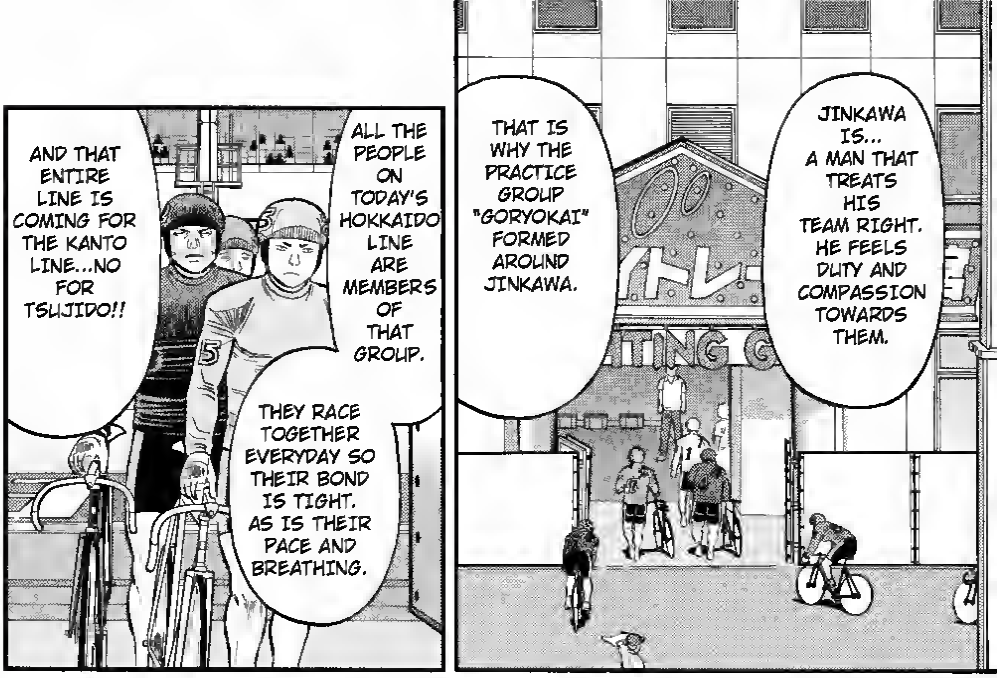

AKIYA GETS AWAY WITH A STRICT WARNING AND PENALTY, BARELY AVOIDING DISQUALIFICATION!!
KEEP PUSHING!!
PASS HIM ACROSS!!

THANKS AKI!! I CAN ALWAYS DEPEND ON YOU!!

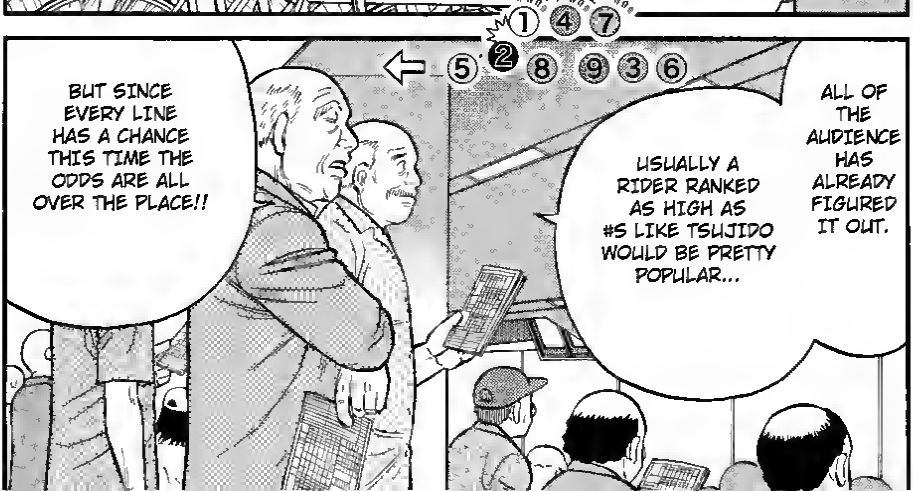
I CAN ALREADY SEE THE LECTURES I WILL GET...
SHUT IT! IF I WERE AT 100% IT WOULDA BEEN MINE!
AHHH! TODAY IS THE WORST...

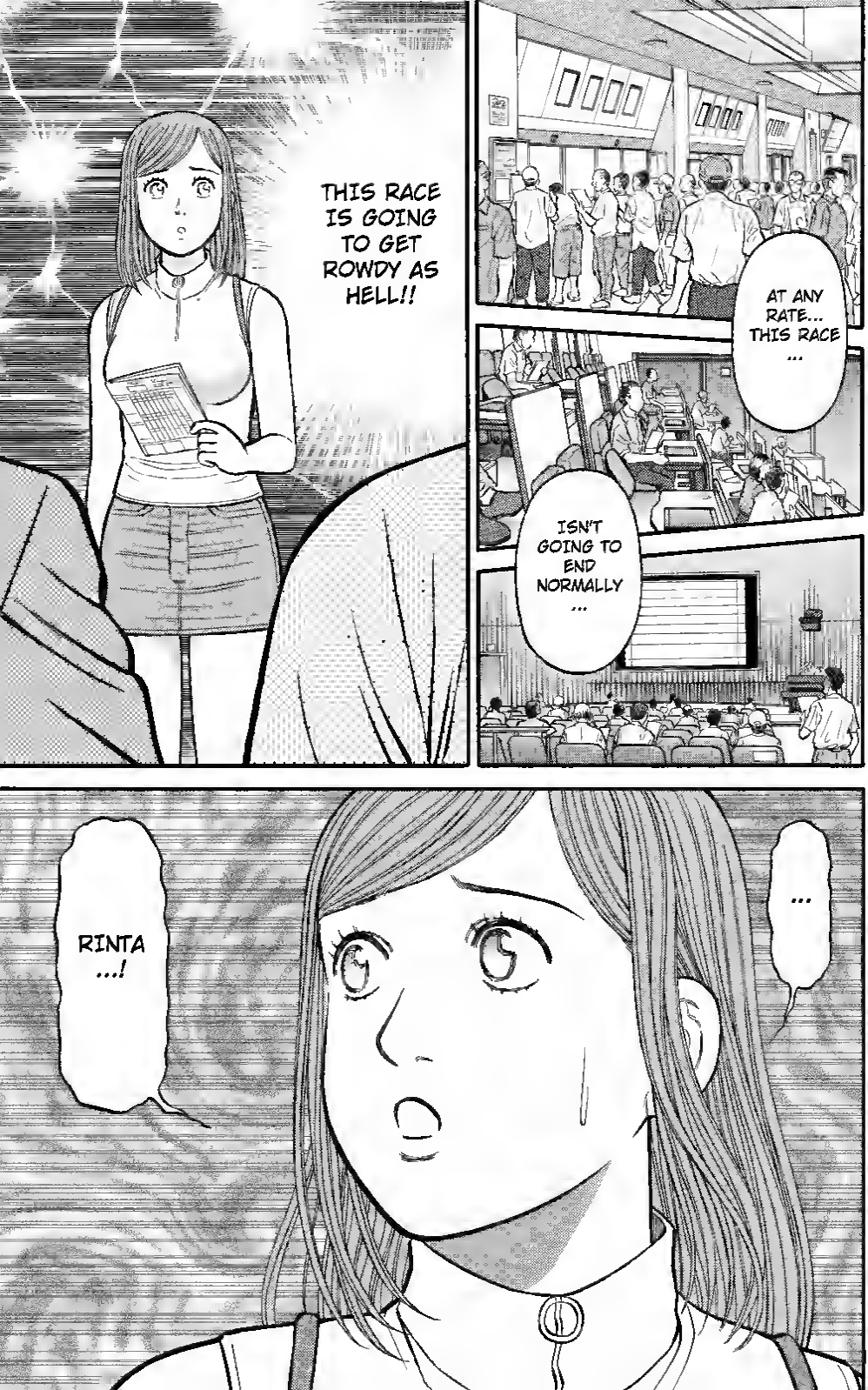
NO, NOT AT ALL !!
IS THAT SAR-CASM?
TAKUMI SHINKAI ...
HM?
GOOD WORK TODAY, AKIYA.
AND ACTUALLY MY COACH IS PRETTY INTERESTED AS WELL...
I JUST CAME TO TELL YOU THAT YOUR STUDENT'S RACE IS ABOUT TO START...
I'M A LITTLE INTERESTED IN SEEING HOW TSUJIDO DOES AS WELL...
HE'S EVEN RANKED FIFTH AND ONLY ONE STEP AWAY FROM THE GOLDEN CAP...
YEAH... WELL SINCE TSUJIDO IS THE ONLY ONE TO BREAK YOUR SCHOOL RECORD FOR THE 3000M TT.
SHINKAI ...
YUJIRO SHINKAI IS...?

ARE THE ODDS FOR HIM THAT BAD?
TALKING LIKE THAT AT A TIME LIKE THIS...
BUT MAYBE HE REALLY IS JUST A "PADDLE BUTT MVP"...?
THE AUDIENCE KNOWS WHAT IS GOING ON...
IT MUST BE MY FAULT ...
...
AH... YES...
IT'S... PRETTY BAD...
THE ENTIRE HOKKAIDO LINE, ESPECIALLY JINKAWA ARE GOING TO ...
TRY AND DESTROY RINTARO ANYWAY THEY CAN....!!


JINKAWA IS... A MAN THAT TREATS HIS TEAM RIGHT. HE FEELS DUTY AND COMPASSION TOWARDS THEM.
THAT IS WHY THE PRACTICE GROUP "GORYOKAI" FORMED AROUND JINKAWA.
ALL THE PEOPLE ON TODAY'S HOKKAIDO LINE ARE MEMBERS OF THAT GROUP.
AND THAT ENTIRE LINE IS COMING FOR THE KANTO LINE...NO FOR TSUJIDO!!
THEY RACE TOGETHER EVERYDAY SO THEIR BOND IS TIGHT. AS IS THEIR PACE AND BREATHING.

THE NANKAN GROUP KNOWS WHAT IS GOING ON SO THEY ARE JUST GOING TO STAY BACK AND WAIT.
THEY WILL JUST STAY BACK AND WAIT FOR A CHANCE OF THEIR OWN WHILE WE BATTLE.
THE LEAD RIDER AND #2 RIDER ARE FROM THE SAME AREA, AND ARE PRETTY FAST...
THEY ARE PLANNING ON SAVING THEIR ENERGY BEFORE MAKING A MAD DASH HOME!!


ALL OF THE AUDIENCE HAS ALREADY FIGURED IT OUT.
USUALLY A RIDER RANKED AS HIGH AS #5 LIKE TSUJIDO WOULD BE PRETTY POPULAR...
BUT SINCE EVERY LINE HAS A CHANCE THIS TIME THE ODDS ARE ALL OVER THE PLACE!!


THIS RACE IS GOING TO GET ROWDY AS HELL!!
AT ANY RATE... THIS RACE ...
ISN'T GOING TO END NORMALLY ...
...
RINTA ...!

TICK
TOCK
TICK
TOCK
チラッ
TICK
TOCK
TICK
TOCK

I MUST JUST BE NERVOUS BECAUSE IT'S MY FIRST RACE...
TIME IS PASSING SO SLOW...
時間が…長エ…
初舞台で…やっぱ緊張してんのかオレ…？
くっ…そ…さっきまでは平気だったのに…手が…震える…
DAMN I WAS FINE UNTIL JUST A SECOND AGO BUT NOW MY HANDS WON'T STOP SHAKING
ポン
SHIT! SHIT!
くそ…!!
AH...
OKAY!!
IT'S ALMOST TIME TO START, TSUJIDO.
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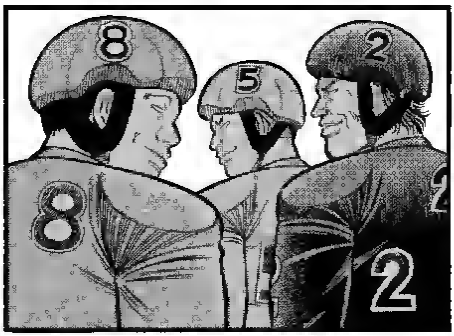
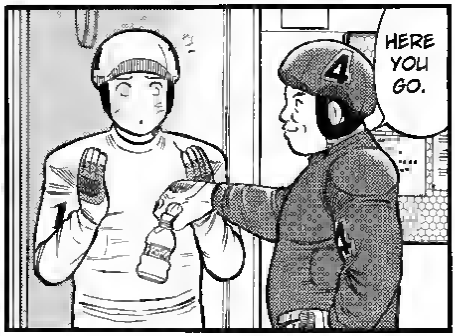
UWAH!
EVEN MY LEGS ARE SHAKING ...!!
う…あ…!!
ヨロ…

GET IT TOGETHER, MAN!
しっかりしろ!!
オレ!!

IT WILL CHILL YOU OUT A BIT!!
DRINK IT!!
vivian




HERE YOU GO.

GULP
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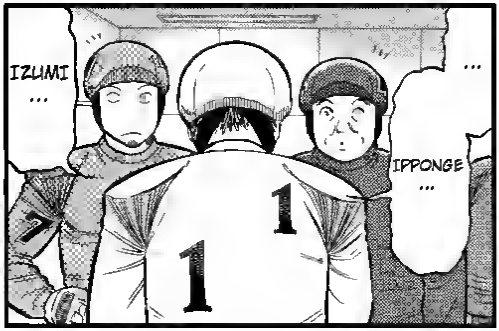
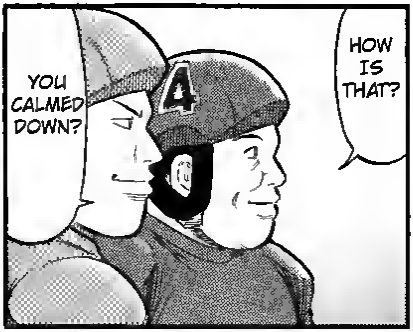
GULP

そういえば…
ノドもカラカラ…
I AM PRETTY THIRSTY...
O-OKAY...
SORRY...


IZUMI ...
...
IPPONGE ...


YOU CALMED DOWN?
HOW IS THAT?

AS ONE OF YOUR SENIORS FROM THE SAME REGION.
IT'S NOTHING SPECIAL ...

EVER SINCE... WE RODE THE PLANE FROM HANEDA TOGETHER...
YOU REALLY HAVE TAKEN GOOD CARE OF ME, A STUPID ROOKIE WHO BARELY KNOWS HIS RIGHT FROM HIS LEFT...

I WILL RIDE SO THAT ALL OF THE KANTO LINE GETS TO THE FINISH LINE!!
I... WILL DEFINITELY TAKE FIRST PLACE!!
AND I WILL MAKE SURE THAT YOU TWO GET TO THE GOAL AS WELL!!

I WILL BE FIRST ACROSS THE GOAL... BESIDES YOU OF COURSE!!
HUH! YOU SURE DO MAKE US HAPPY WITH TALK LIKE THAT!
BUT DON'T TALK TOO BIG YET, ROOKIE!
YOU JUST NEED TO AIM FOR FIRST PLACE!!
WE WILL BE BEHIND YOU DOING OUR JOB TO MAKE SURE THAT HAPPENS!
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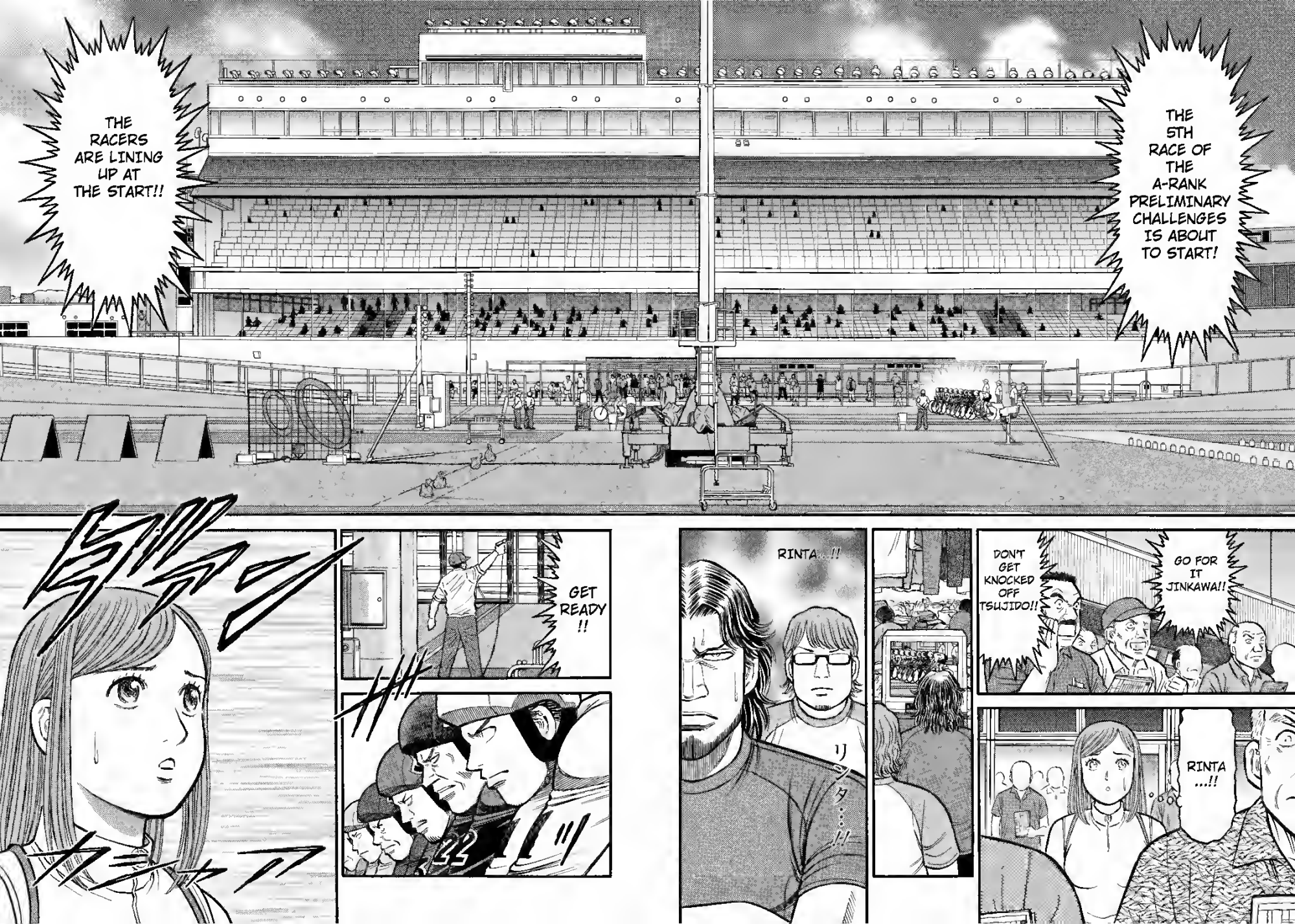
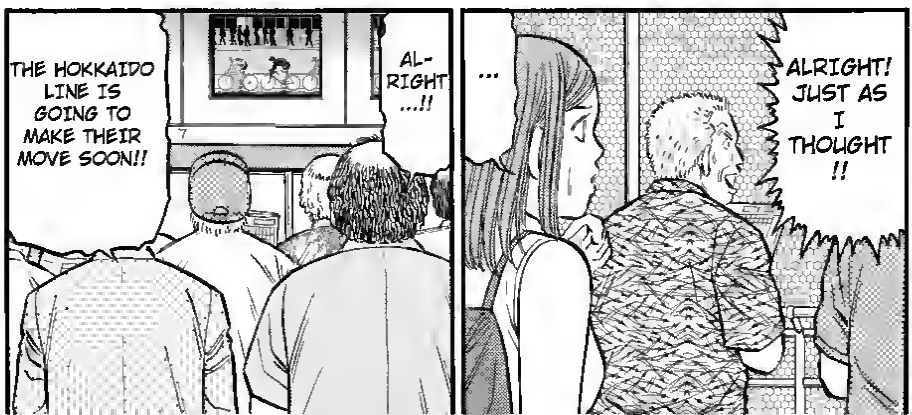
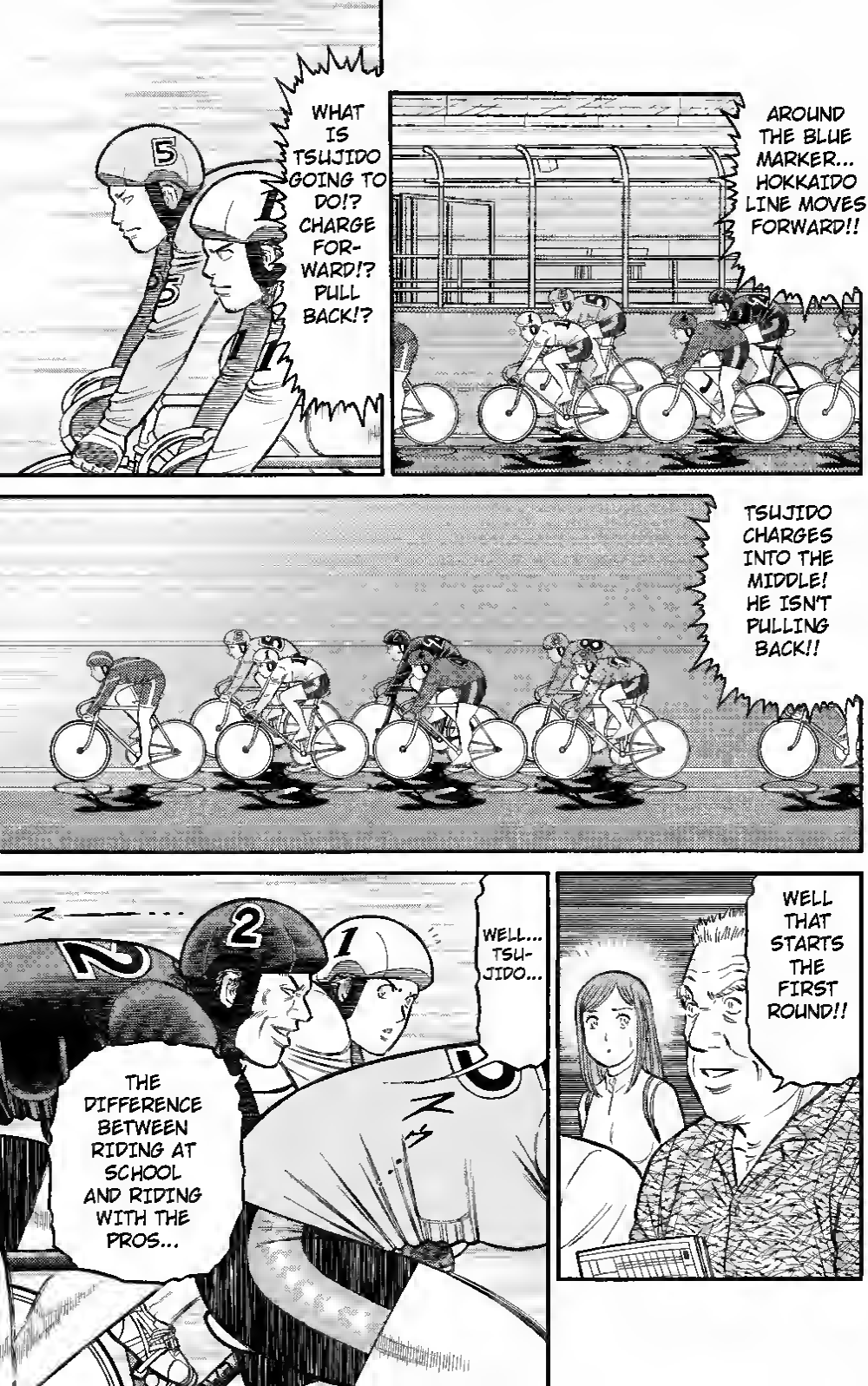
NO, THAT WILL BE ME.
NOPE... SORRY BUT I AM CROSSING FIRST!
おさまった!!
MY HANDS STOPPED SHAKING!!
HUH...?
RACE #5!!
EVER-ONE LINE UP!!
LET'S GO PARTNER!

FIGHTING
ALRIGHT!!


THE RACERS ARE LINING UP AT THE START!!
THE 5TH RACE OF THE A-RANK PRELIMINARY CHALLENGES IS ABOUT TO START!
GET READY !!
RINTA...!!
リンタ…!!
DON'T GET KNOCKED OFF TSUJIDO!!
GO FOR IT JINKAWA!!
RINTA ...!!

AND THE ROOKIE TSUJIDO CHARGES AHEAD AS EXPECTED!!
THE HOKKAIDO LINE HAS TAKEN THE CENTER SPOT WITH NANKAN IN THE REAR!!
IPPONGE AND IZUMI FOLLOW BEHIND GIVING THE KANTO LINE HAS THE FRONT SPOT!
KANTO LINE
HOKKAIDO LINE
NANKAN LINE


THE HOKKAIDO LINE IS GOING TO MAKE THEIR MOVE SOON!!
AL-RIGHT ...!!
...
ALRIGHT! JUST AS I THOUGHT !!


WHAT IS TSUJIDO GOING TO DO!? CHARGE FOR-WARD!? PULL BACK!?
AROUND THE BLUE MARKER... HOKKAIDO LINE MOVES FORWARD!!
TSUJIDO CHARGES INTO THE MIDDLE! HE ISN'T PULLING BACK!!
WELL... TSU-JIDO...
THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN RIDING AT SCHOOL AND RIDING WITH THE PROS...
WELL THAT STARTS THE FIRST ROUND!!

I'LL TEACH YOU ALL ABOUT IT!!
GWAAAHHH!!!

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肉弾戦

FLING YOURSELF AT THE ENEMY

GAAHH!
YOU ARE DISQUALIFIED IF YOU RIDE OUTSIDE THE LINE FOR 6 SECONDS!
TSUJIDO! PULL IT TOGETHER !!
IN-SIDE LINE
OUT-SIDE LINE
YELLOW LINE

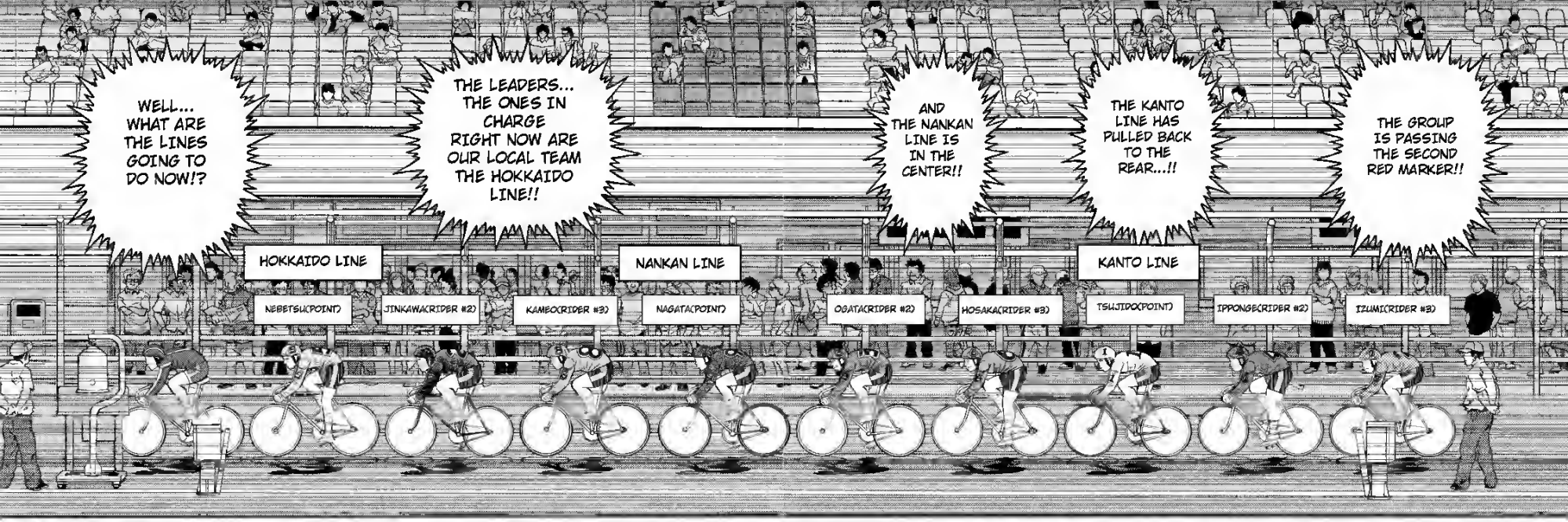
TSUJIDO !!!!
RATTLE *RATTLE*
TSUJIDO !!!

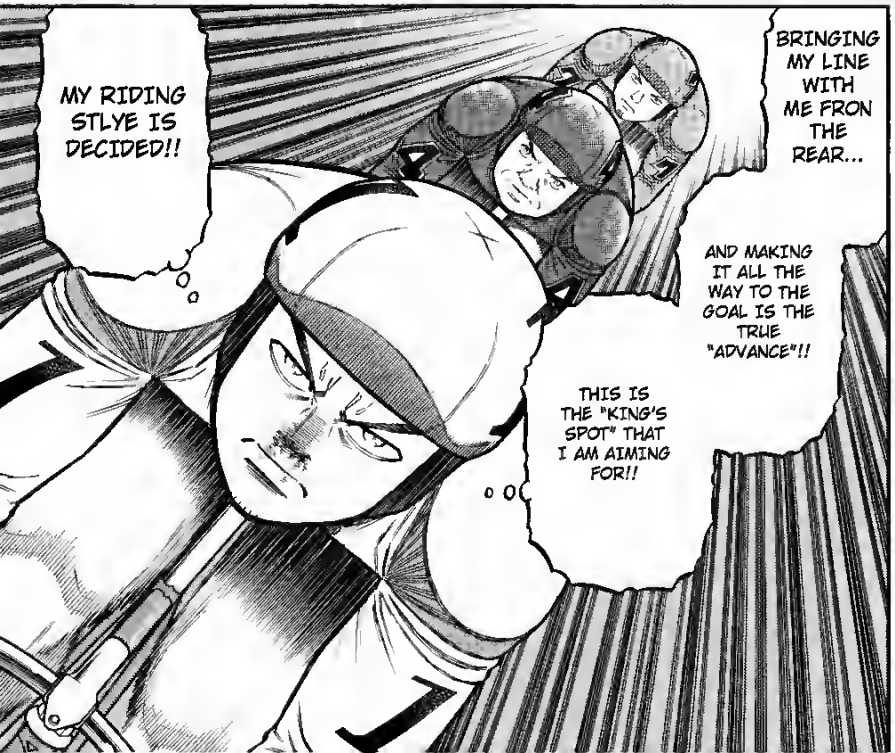
TO STOP YOUR OPPONENT YOU HAVE TO BE READY TO USE ANYTHING! YOUR HEAD, SHOULDER, ELBOW...
IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT RIDING WHEN THEY SAY GO!
THIS IS 'CYCLING', BOY!
ONCE YOU ARE OUT ON THE BANKS ITS THE SAME AS GETTING IN A RING!
DON'T LET YOUR GUARD DOWN JUST BECAUSE THE PACER IS RIDING IN FRONT OF US STILL!
DON'T FORGET THIS RINTARO!!
CYCLING IS A MARTIAL ART THAT TAKES PLACE WHILE RIDING OVER 40KM/H!

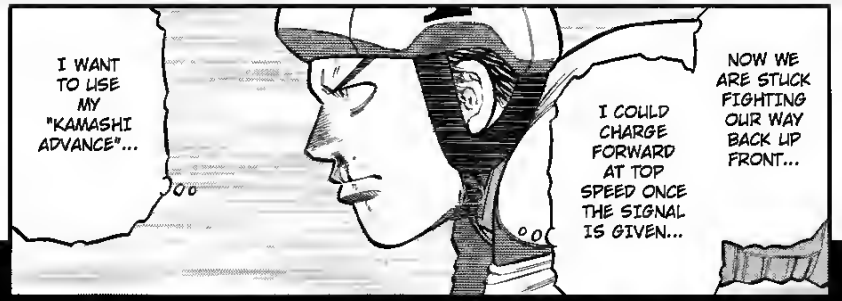
TSUJIDO !!
RINTA ...!!
T-TH ...
THAT HURT DAMNIT !!!

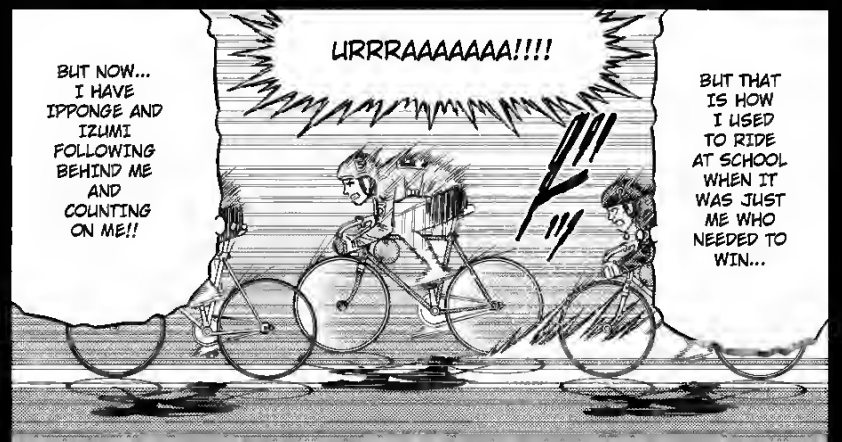
IT WOULD BE BORING IF YOU DROPPED OUT AT SOMETHING LIKE THAT...!!
HEHEH... THAT'S HOW I LIKE IT.
TSUJIDO!!
"DRIP" "DRIP"
THE REAL EVENT STARTS FROM HERE!!
THIS IS NOTHING.
I JUST... LET MY GUARD DOWN A BIT.
CAN YOU... STILL RIDE?
TSUJIDO... ARE YOU SURE YOU ARE OKAY? YOUR NOSE IS EVEN BLEEDING...
HUH!?
IN MY PRACTICES WITH MASTER AKIYA...
I TOOK PLENTY OF HEADBUTTS THAT MADE MY NOSE BLEED...

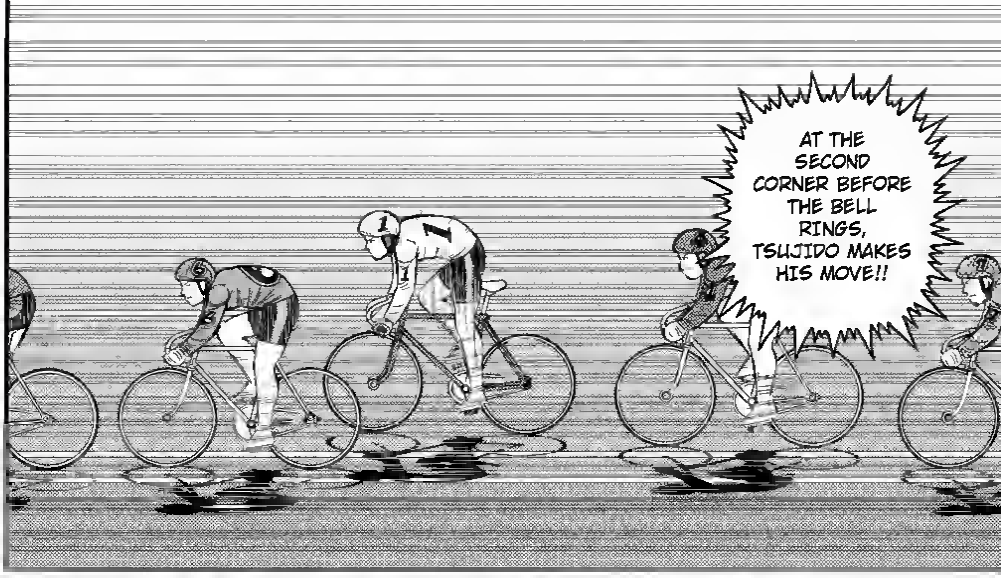
COMPARED TO MASTER AKIYA'S HEADBUTTS...
I CAN STOP THESE BY WILLPOWER ALONE!!
W-WHAT KIND OF TRAINING DO YOU GUYS DO EVERY DAY?
Y-YOU GUYS...


WELL... WHAT ARE THE LINES GOING TO DO NOW!?
THE LEADERS... THE ONES IN CHARGE RIGHT NOW ARE OUR LOCAL TEAM THE HOKKAIDO LINE!!
AND THE NANKAN LINE IS IN THE CENTER!!
THE KANTO LINE HAS PULLED BACK TO THE REAR...!!
THE GROUP IS PASSING THE SECOND RED MARKER!!
HOKKAIDO LINE
NANKAN LINE
KANTO LINE
NEBETSU(POINT)
JINKAWA(RIDER #2)
KAMEO(RIDER #3)
NAGATA(POINT)
OGATA(RIDER #2)
HOSAKA(RIDER #3)
TSUJIDO(POINT)
IPPONGE(RIDER #2)
IZUMI(RIDER #3)

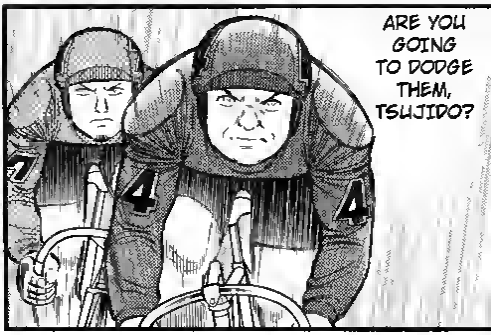

MY RIDING STLYE IS DECIDED!!
BRINGING MY LINE WITH ME FRON THE REAR...
AND MAKING IT ALL THE WAY TO THE GOAL IS THE TRUE "ADVANCE"!!
THIS IS THE "KING'S SPOT" THAT I AM AIMING FOR!!

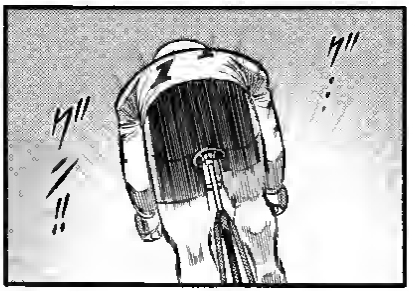

I WANT TO USE MY "KAMASHI ADVANCE"...
I COULD CHARGE FORWARD AT TOP SPEED ONCE THE SIGNAL IS GIVEN...
NOW WE ARE STUCK FIGHTING OUR WAY BACK UP FRONT...


URRRAAAAAAA!!!!
BUT NOW... I HAVE IPPONGE AND IZUMI FOLLOWING BEHIND ME AND COUNTING ON ME!!
BUT THAT IS HOW I USED TO RIDE AT SCHOOL WHEN IT WAS JUST ME WHO NEEDED TO WIN...

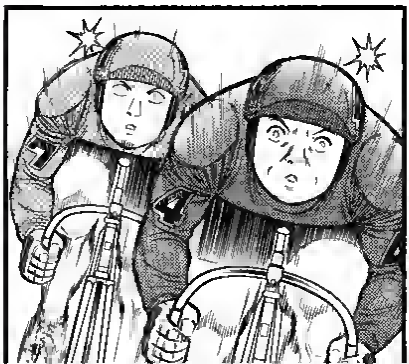

AT THE SECOND CORNER BEFORE THE BELL RINGS, TSUJIDO MAKES HIS MOVE!!

前じゃあ陣川がおまえを飛ばそうと手ぐすね引いて待っている…
その牽制をかわすにゃあタテのスピードですり抜けるのが一番…!!
THE BEST WAY TO DODGE IT IS TO USE YOUR SPEED!
LAST TIME JINKAWA WAS WAITING AND READY TO SEND YOU FLYING


ARE YOU GOING TO DODGE THEM, TSUJIDO?

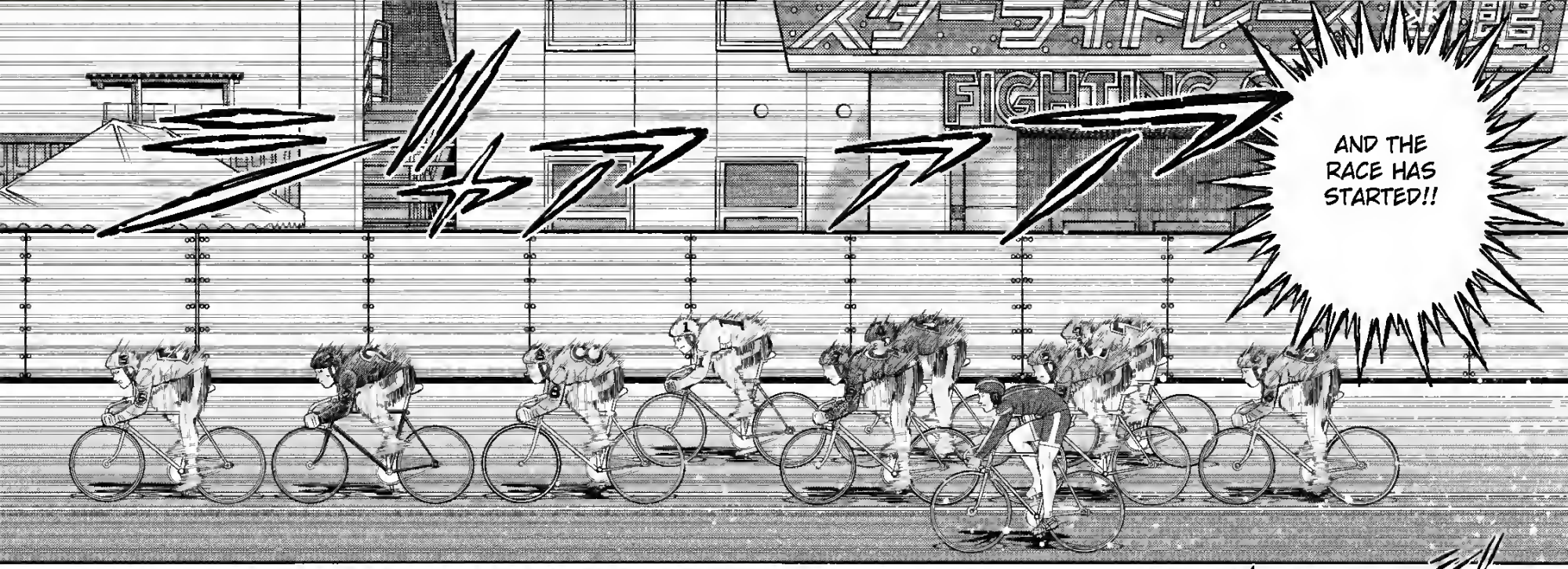


…となるとオレにとってはここが勝負どころ!!
辻堂のダッシュについていけるかどうか…!!
IF THAT'S THE CASE THEN IT IS TIME FOR MY BATTLE!!
CAN I KEEP UP WITH TSUJIDO'S MAD DASH!?
IF I CAN'T KEEP UP THEN THIS RACE IS OVER FOR ME!!



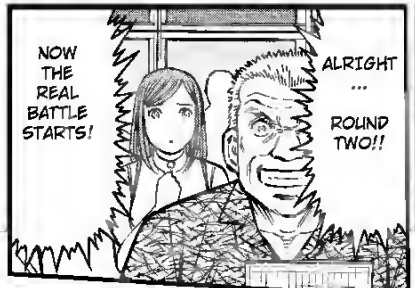
A SLOW SPURT!?
T-THIS IS...
HE'S SLOWLY PICKING UP SPEED...
SAYING "BELIEVE IN ME AND FOLLOW!"
IS CALLING OUT TO US!!
TSUJIDO... HE'S ACTUALLY THINKING ABOUT US...!!
HIS BACK... WELL... HIS BUTT...
EVEN THOUGH HE IS A ROOKIE IN HIS DEBUT RACE...

YOU READY TO BECOME JINKAWA'S FAVORITE PREY!?
しかし…辻堂…この走り方は…スピードは…
BUT THIS RIDING STYLE... THIS SPEED...
HE'S AIMING FOR THE FRONT!!
ミカヅア
HE IS SLOWLY PICKING UP SPEED!
TSUJIDO... HE STARTS TO SLOWLY ADVANCE...
THE PACER STARTS TO PULL BACK!!
ヲ〃ア〃
MATCHING TSUJIDO'S ADVANCE THE HOKKAIDO LINE DOESN'T MOVE AN INCH!!
ALRIGHT !!
ガシン
GO NEBETSU !!
HE'S HERE!


AND THE RACE HAS STARTED!!

さアて…こっからだ!!
NOW... THE FUN STARTS!!
あの…あうんの呼吸の息の合った動き……!!
さっきの頭突き入れられた時の北海道ラインの連係…
EARLIER WHEN I GOT HEADBUTTED... THE HOKKAIDO LINE... THEIR BREATHING AND MOVEMENTS IS PERFECTLY IN TUNE...!!

一本毛さんたち…ついてきてるな!!
IPPONGE AND IZUMI ARE RIGHT BEHIND ME!!


NOW THE REAL BATTLE STARTS!
ALRIGHT... ROUND TWO!!

DON'T YOU DARE LOSE TO THOSE GUYS!!

RINTA...!!

A SOLID LINE PERFECTLY IN TUNE...
IT'S AS IF THEY WERE ONE SINGLE ANIMAL!!
そのアタマは猛然と風を切って走り……
THE HEAD CUTS THROUGH THE FEROCIOUS WIND...
その肩と胴は牙をむいて待っている……!!
AND THE SHOULDER AND CHEST WAITS WITH IT'S FANGS BARED!
JUST WHAT I WAS HOPING FOR!!
I WILL STAND UP TO THOSE FANGS!!

GO FLYING KID!!

WHAT ...!?
TSUJIDO... DIDN'T MOVE AN INCH FROM JINKAWA'S POWERFUL TACKLE!!
W-WHAT WAS THAT!?
ONE MORE TIME BOY!!

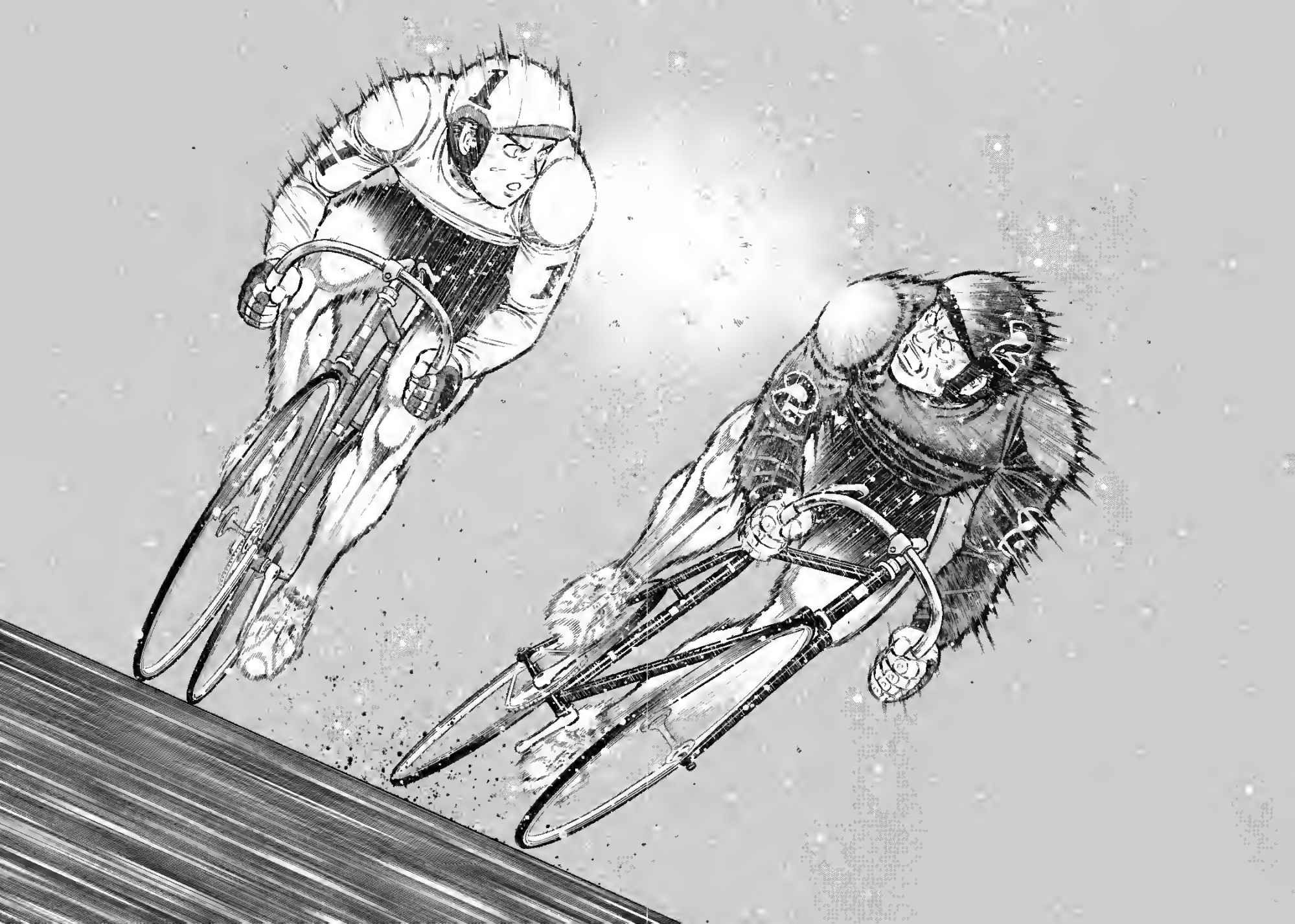
IT WILL BE THE SAME RESULT NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES YOU TRY....
DON'T YOU KNOW WHO MY MASTER IS!?
HE'S THE HEARTLESS MAN THEY CALL THE "GRIM REAPER"!!

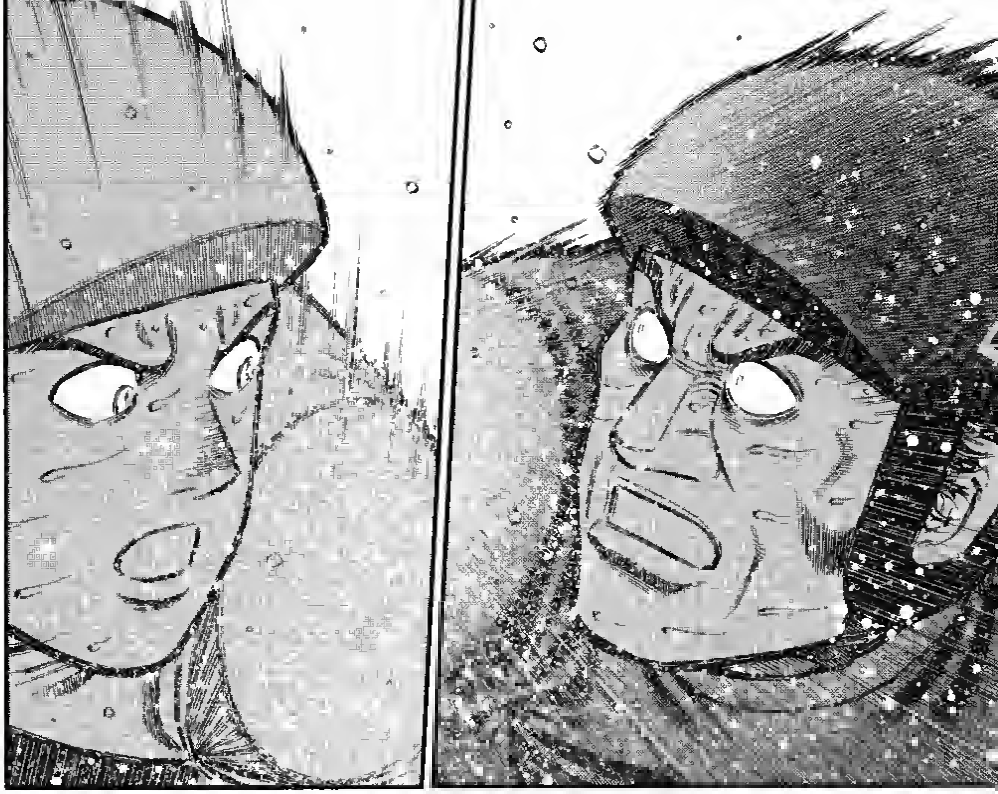
AFTER BEING TRAINED EVERY DAY BY THAT "GRIM REAPER"...
YOU AREN'T GOING TO MOVE ME WITH SOMETHING LIKE THAT!!
IT LOOKS LIKE WE ARE PUTTING OUR LIVES ON THE LINE WHEN WE PRACTICE...
BUT I NEVER THOUGHT FOR ONCE THAT I WOULD ACTUALLY DIE...
I BELIEVED IN MY MASTER... IN HIS POWER...!!
BECAUSE MY MASTER IS THE ONE MAN IN THE WORLD...
THAT I CAN TRUST...!!

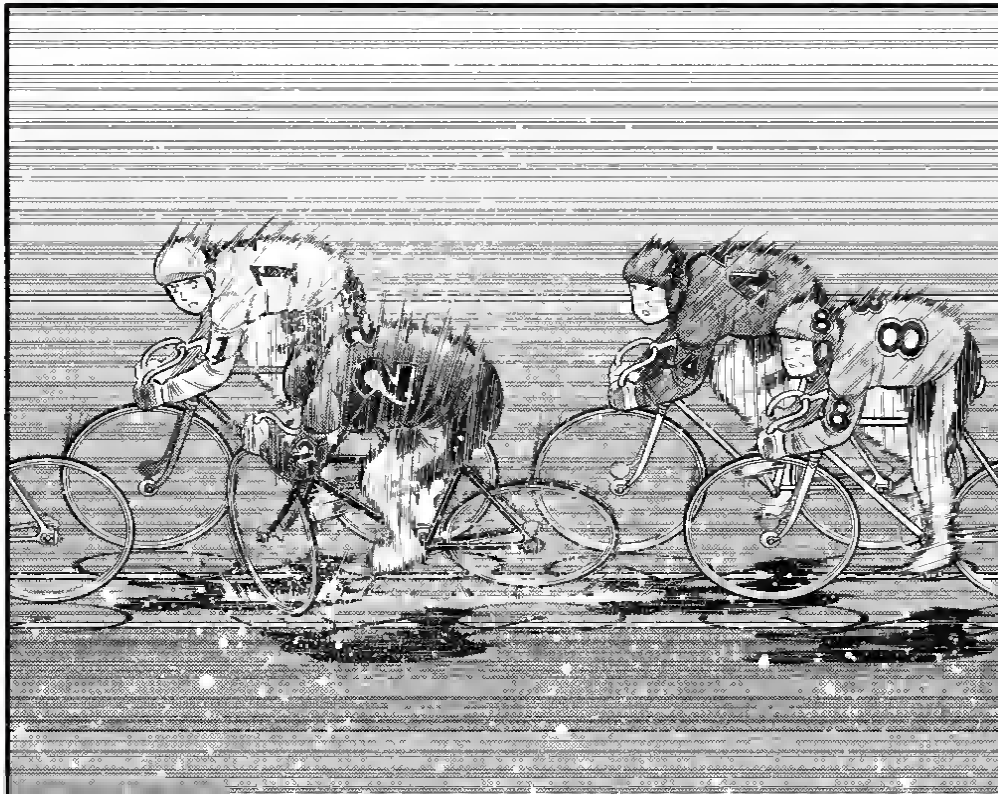
MY MASTER IS JUN AKIYA...
THE ULTIMATE MAN!!
THE ULTIMATE CYCLING ATHLETE AND...
SHUT YOUR MOUTH!!
YOU DAMN BRAT!!

N-NO !!
HE'S READY TO SUICIDE AND TAKE YOU WITH HIM!!
TSUJIDO!!!

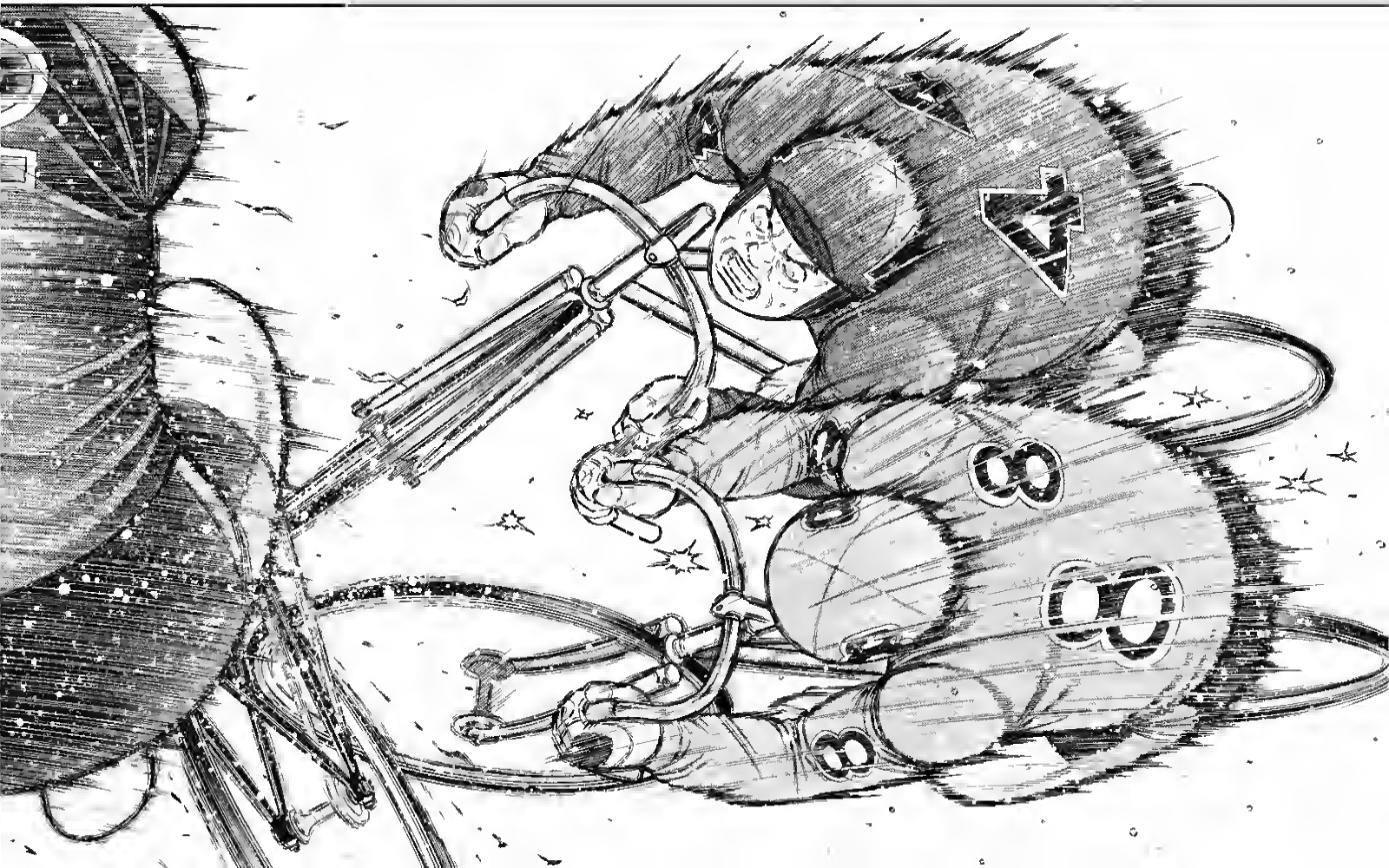
OVAL 5
好きに走れ！
RIDE LIKE YOU WANT!







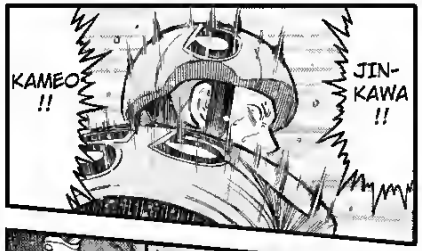
OH NO ...!
UGH... AH!!
AH ...!!
GAAAH!!



GAH!!
A-AH...
AH....
NO...
TCH!!

ガシャン
ガシャン

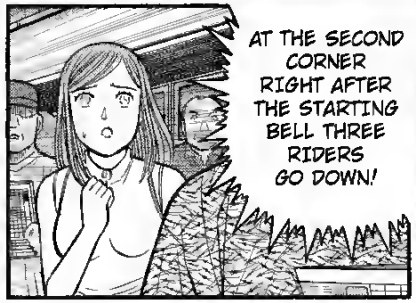
IPPONGE !!!

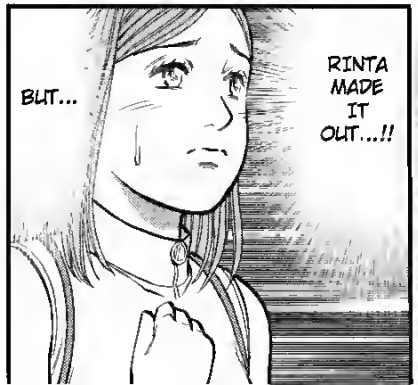

KAMEO !!
JIN-KAWA !!

GAH ...

GAH ...!!
TSUJIDO ...!!

UGH ...

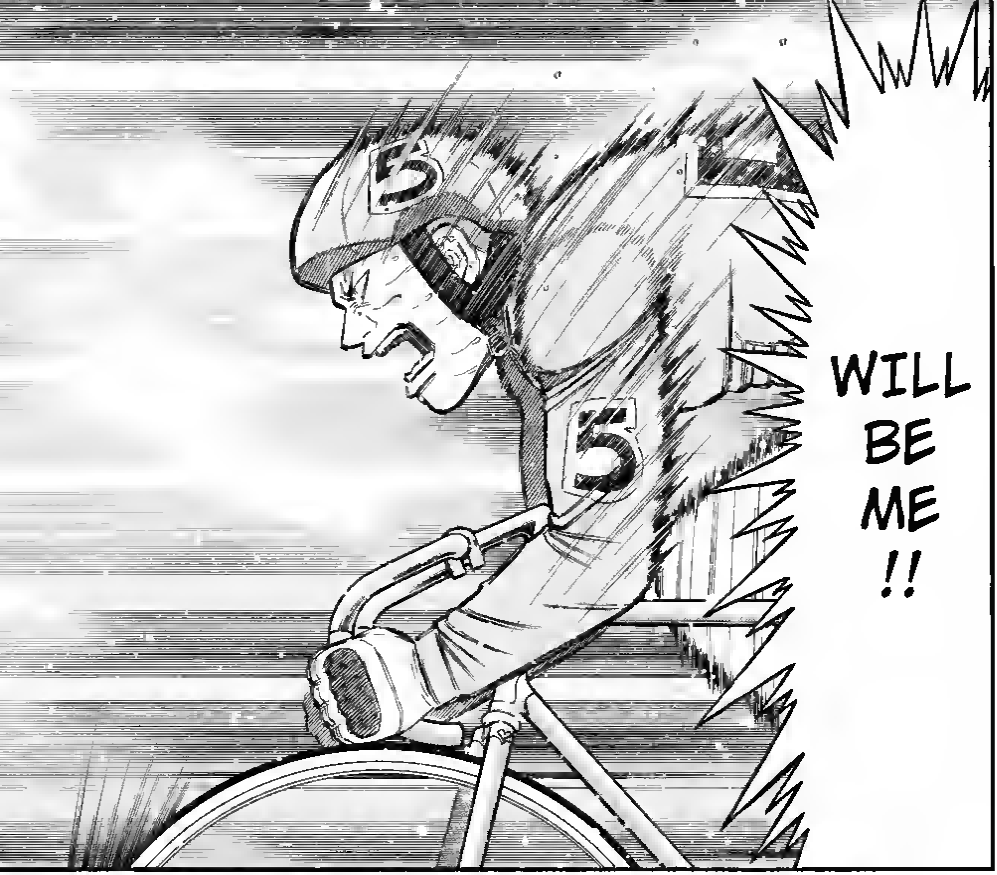

AT THE SECOND CORNER RIGHT AFTER THE STARTING BELL THREE RIDERS GO DOWN!


BUT...
RINTA MADE IT OUT...!!

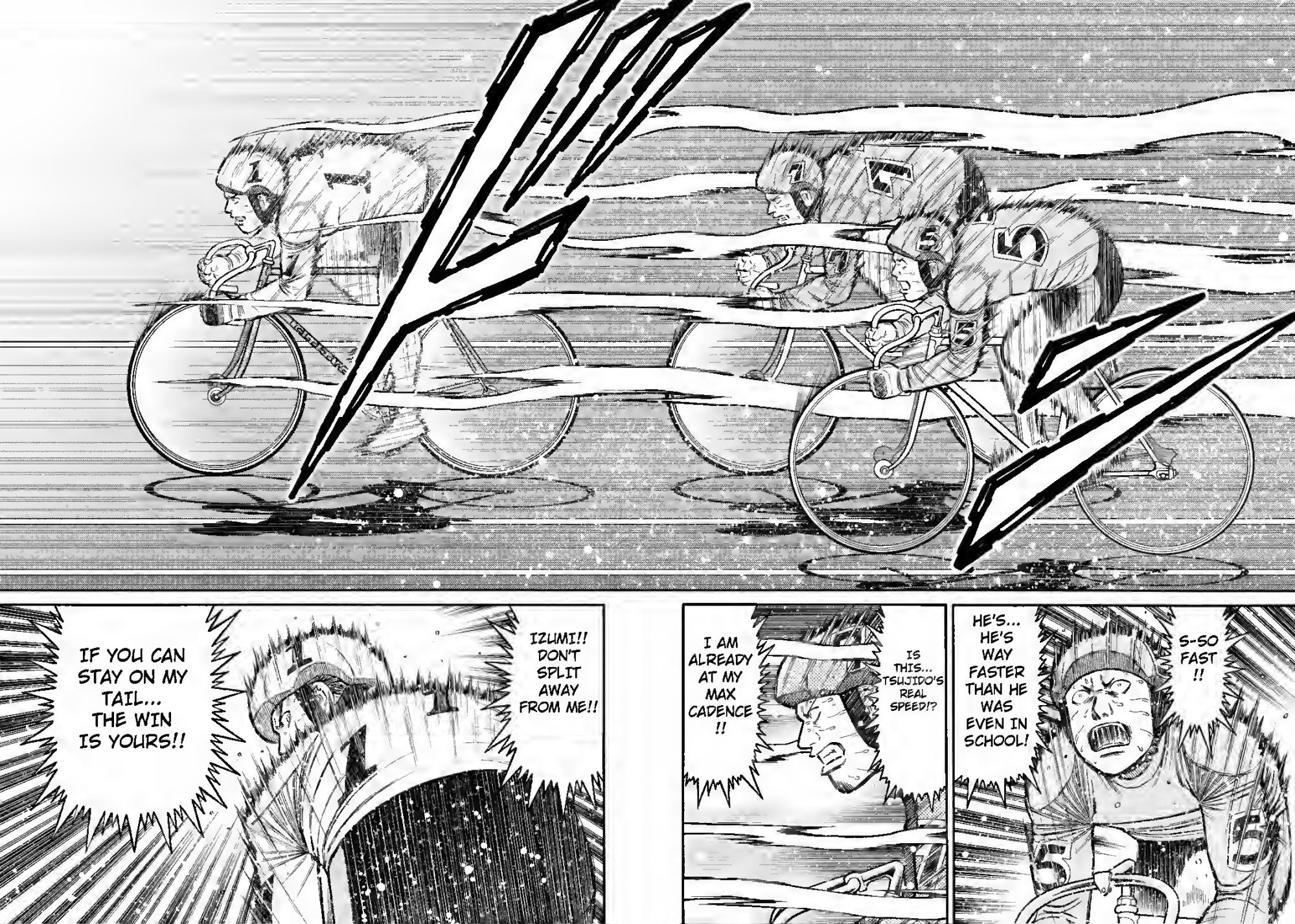
HE WENT DOWN...!!

WITH IT LIKE THIS ... JUST SHOW THEM!
RIDE HOW YOU WANT TO!!
KEEP GOING TSUJIDO!!
こうなったら… 見せてやれ!!
SHOW THEM HOW YOU REALLY RIDE!!
RIDE... LIKE I WANT ...
AS THE ONLY SURVIVNG HOKKAIDO LINE MEMBER !!!
SHIT!! I WILL JUST HAVE TO DO THIS BY MYSELF !!
THIS IS OUR CHANCE!!
FOUR OF THE OPPONENTS ARE GONE !!!
ALL OF US NANKAN LINE ARE STILL HERE!!
IZUMI!
STAY ON TSUJIDO'S ASS!!
BUT... ONLY IF TSUJIDO IS STILL GOING...
OF COURSE!!

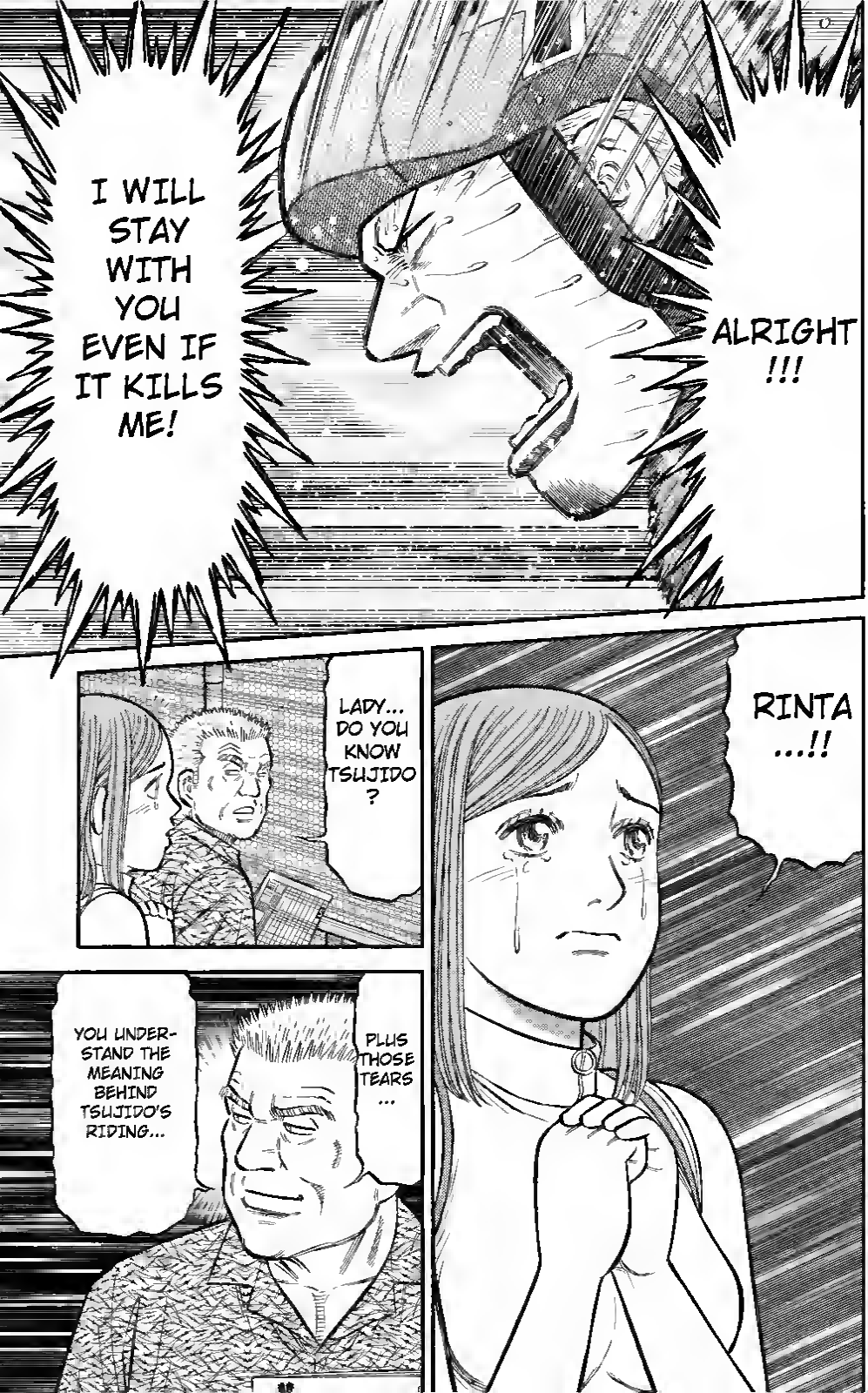
GOT IT!!
IPPONGE !!!
ARE YOU READY..!? TSUJIDO !?
GAH...!!
THE WINNER ...

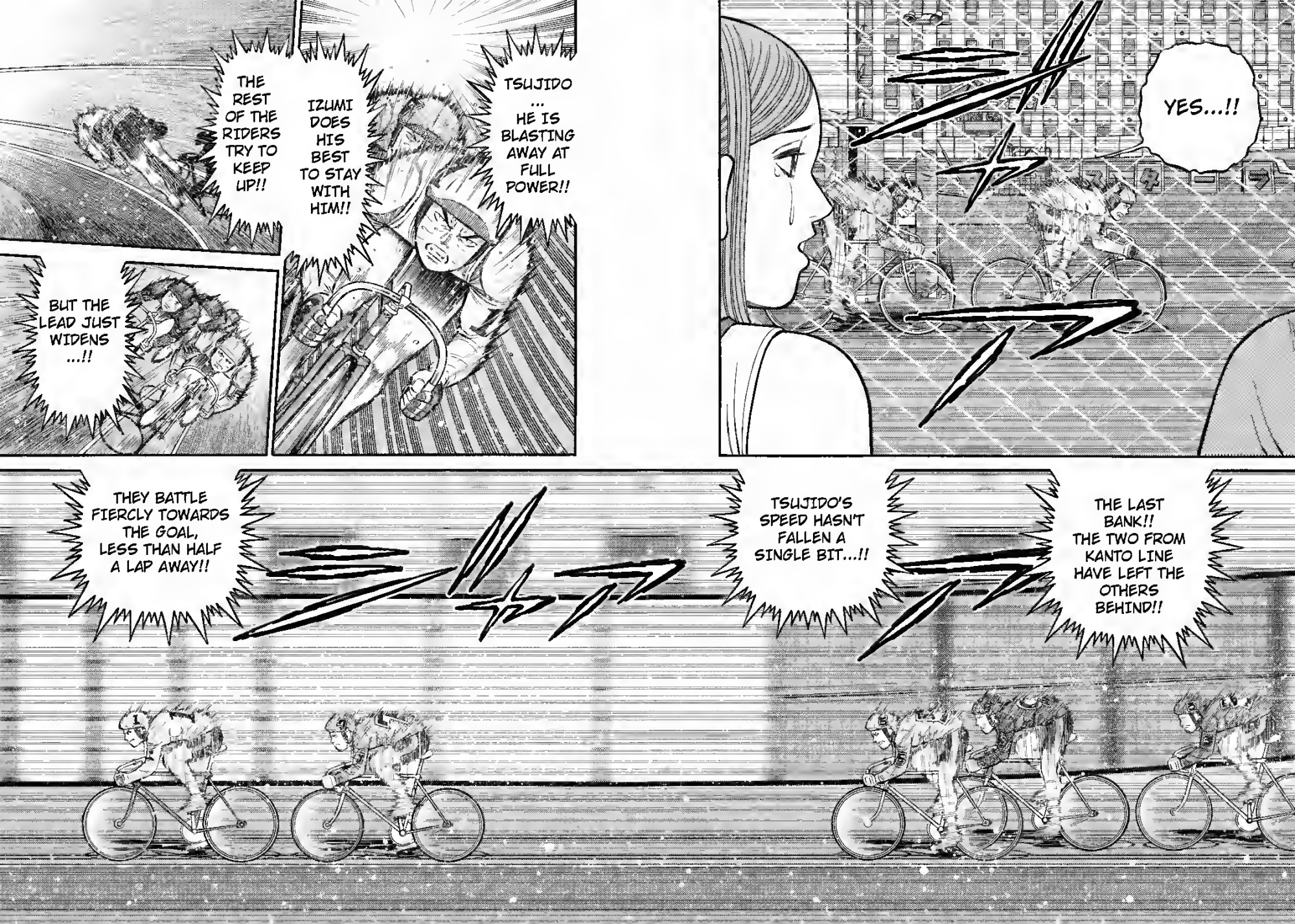

WILL
BE
ME
!!

...
HUH!?


IF YOU CAN STAY ON MY TAIL... THE WIN IS YOURS!!
IZUMI!! DON'T SPLIT AWAY FROM ME!!
I AM ALREADY AT MY MAX CADENCE !!
IS THIS... TSUJIDO'S REAL SPEED!?
HE'S... HE'S WAY FASTER THAN HE WAS EVEN IN SCHOOL!
S-SO FAST !!

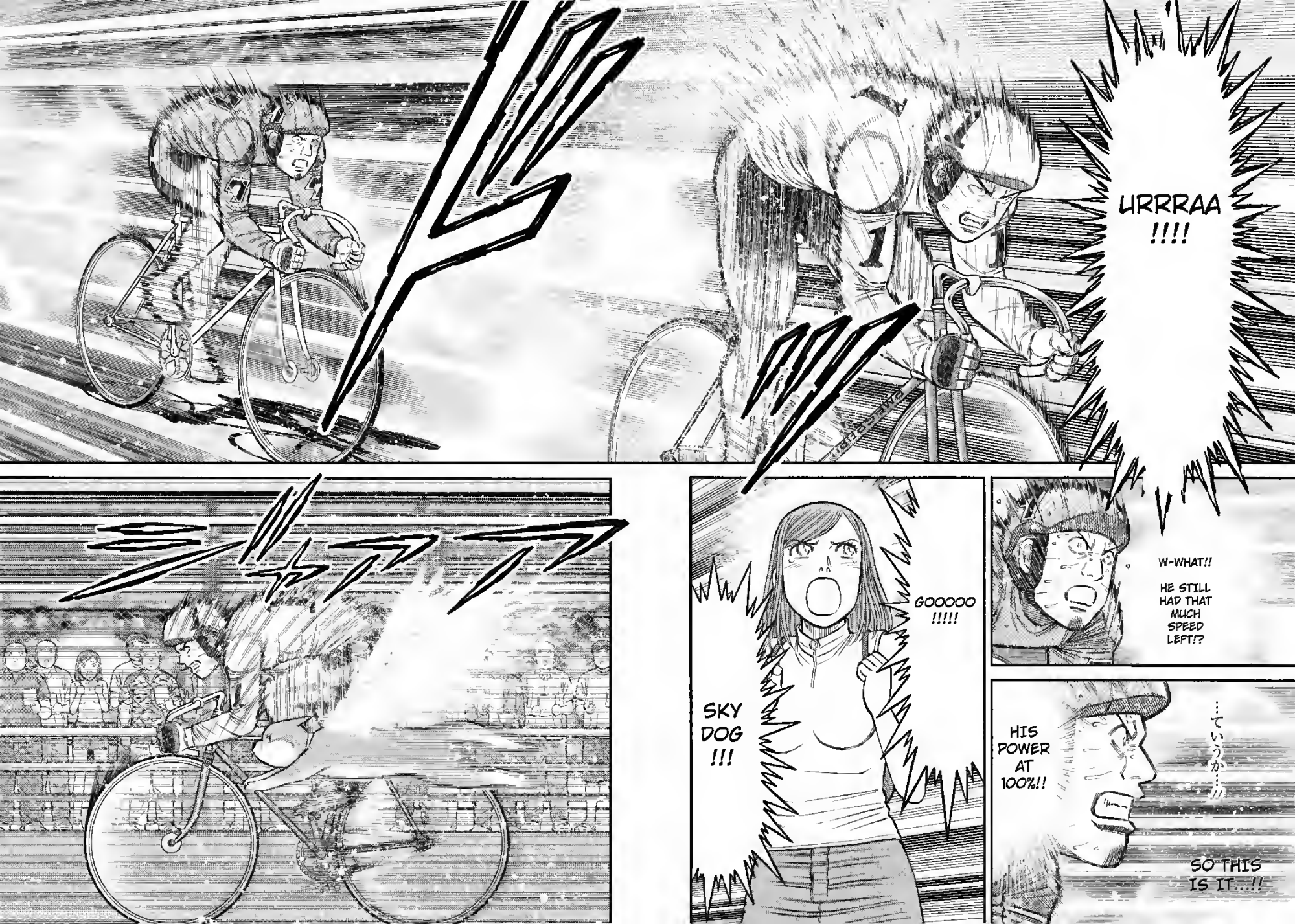
TSU-
JIDO
...
YOU
...!!
FOR THIS
RACE...
I GET TO
RIDE
HOWEVER
I WANT!!
LET'S
GO,
IZUMI!!
BOTH
THE
NANKAI
LINE
AND
THE
HOKKAIDO
LINE
SURVIVORS
!!
WE WILL
BUST
THROUGH
...


I WILL STAY WITH YOU EVEN IF IT KILLS ME!
ALRIGHT !!!
LADY... DO YOU KNOW TSUJIDO ?
RINTA ...!!
YOU UNDER-STAND THE MEANING BEHIND TSUJIDO'S RIDING...
PLUS THOSE TEARS ...

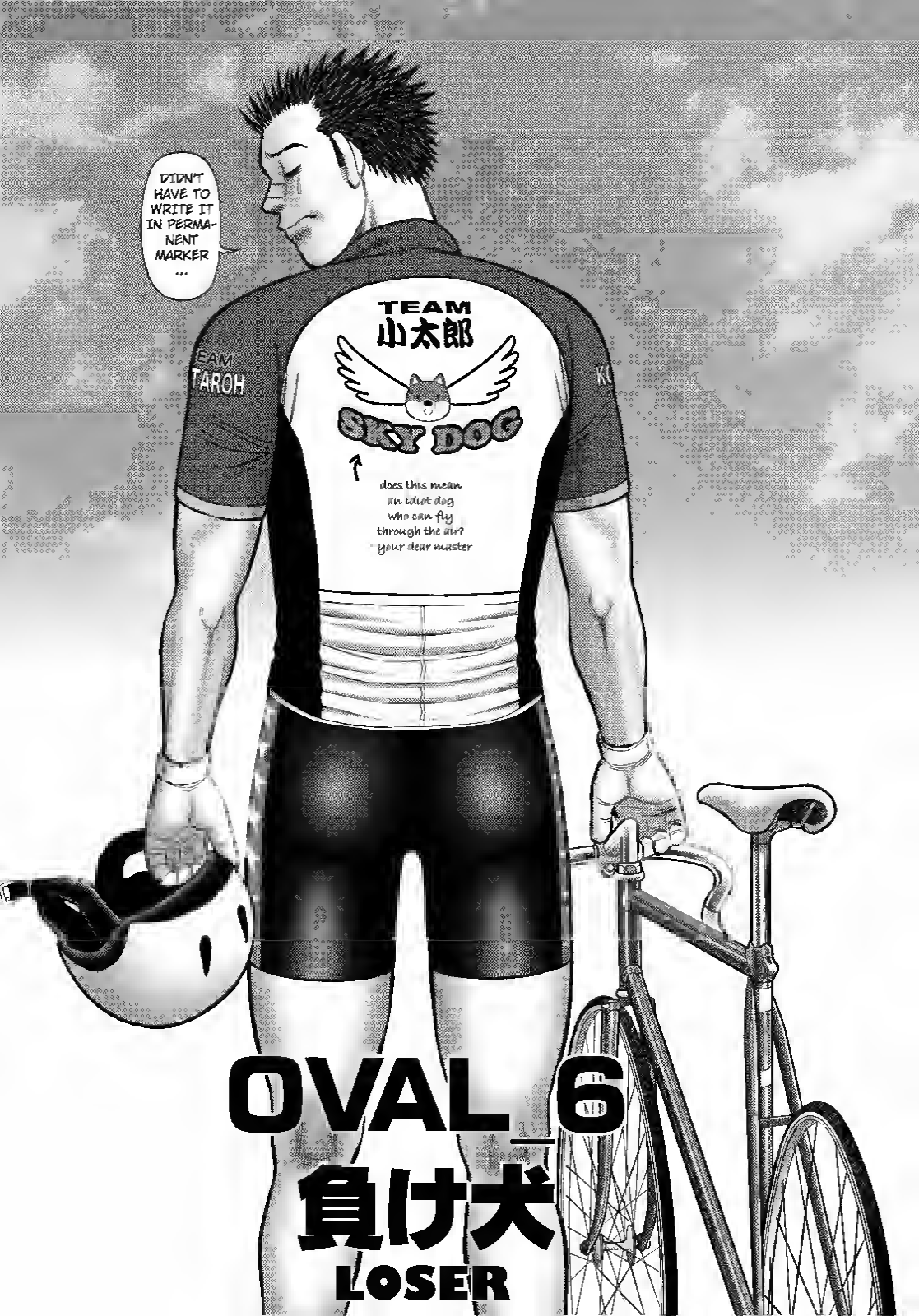

THE REST OF THE RIDERS TRY TO KEEP UP!!
IZUMI DOES HIS BEST TO STAY WITH HIM!!
TSUJIDO ... HE IS BLASTING AWAY AT FULL POWER!!
BUT THE LEAD JUST WIDENS ...!!
YES...!!
THEY BATTLE FIERCLY TOWARDS THE GOAL, LESS THAN HALF A LAP AWAY!!
TSUJIDO'S SPEED HASN'T FALLEN A SINGLE BIT...!!
THE LAST BANK!! THE TWO FROM KANTO LINE HAVE LEFT THE OTHERS BEHIND!!

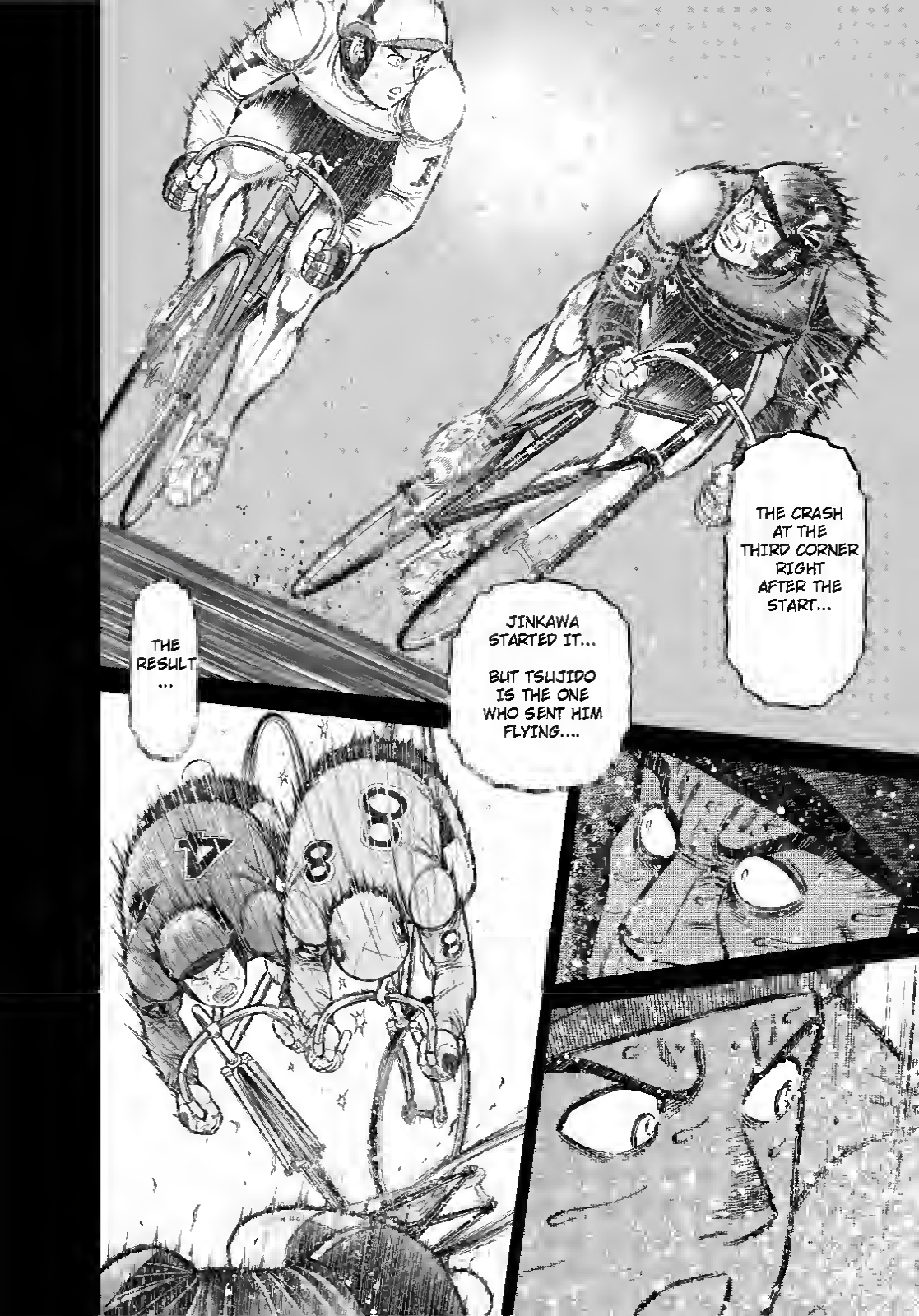
THE AMAZING WEAPON HE HAS PERFECTED FROM HIS TIME ROAD RACING IN SCHOOL!!
競輪学校時代もロードレース出身の辻堂が得意としてた強力な武器!!
しかもそれに磨きをかけてやがる!!
HIGH SPEED CADENCE ...!!
THE MADDENING PACE THAT HE PEDALS !!
I GOT IT!!
LET'S DO IT!!
SHIT ...!!
OUR OWN LEGS WILL GIVE OUT ...!!
BEFORE WE CAN CATCH UP...
USING HIS LEAD MAN TO BLOCK THE WIND HE SPEEDS ALONG WITH HIS FRESH LEGS!!
NOW THE SECONDARY RIDER FROM NANKAI MAKES HIS MOVE!!

THIS LOOKS LIKE IT COULD BE A PHOTO FINISH!!
AROUND THE LAST CORNER... THEY CUT THE LEAD DOWN LITTLE BY LITTLE!!
ROCKET FUEL...!!
GEAR CHANGE RIGHT BEFORE THE GOAL!!
ゴール前のギアチェンジ!!
:!!
まだ武器が残ってる!!
SO THERE YOU ARE... WELL HAVE A TASTE OF MY OTHER WEAPON!!
STAY WITH ME!!
IZUMI!!


URRRAA !!!!
W-WHAT!! HE STILL HAD THAT MUCH SPEED LEFT!?
GOOOOO !!!!!
SKY DOG !!!
…ていうか…!!!
HIS POWER AT 100%!!
SO THIS IS IT…!!

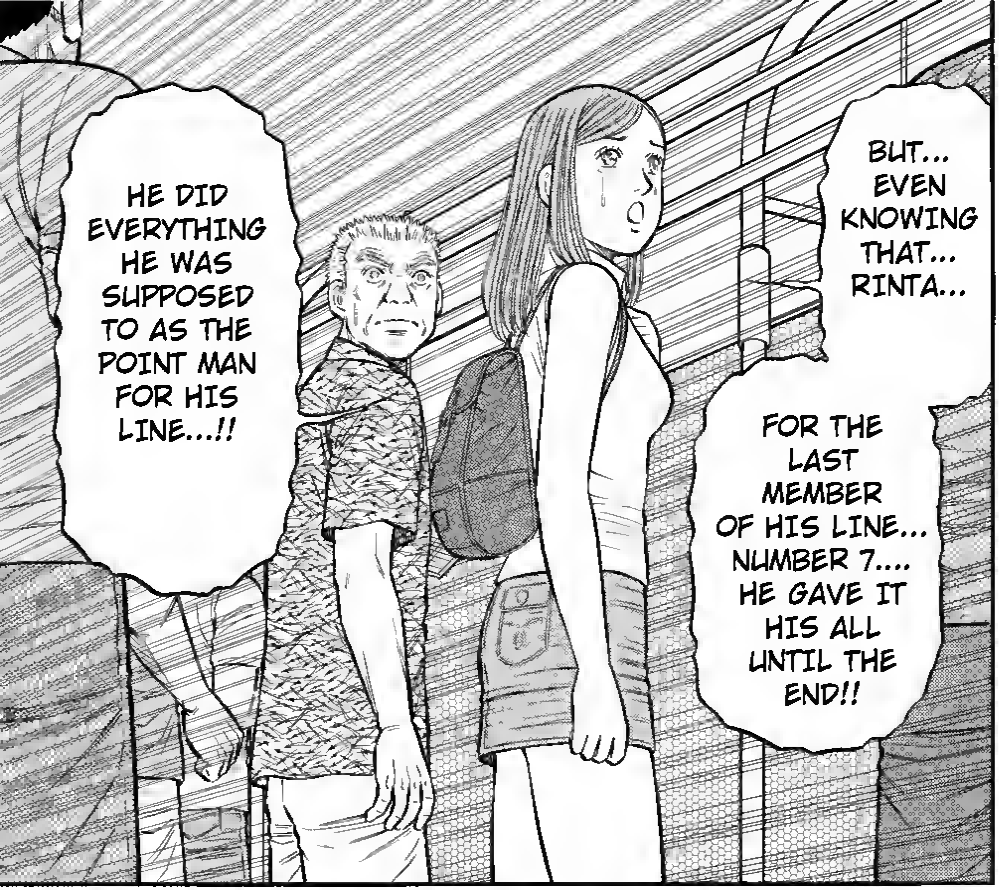
FIRST PLACE ...!!!
RINTA TSUJIDO !!!
BUT ...
HE'S ...
けど…
DIS-QUALIFIED ...
オレは…
BUT I...

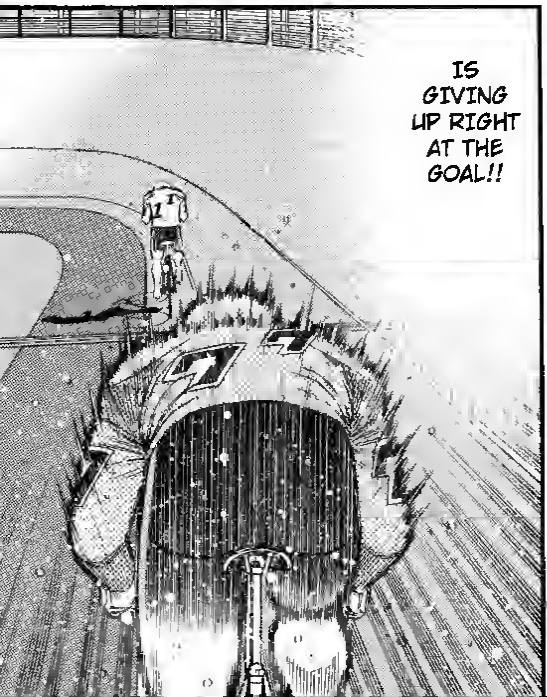

DIDN'T HAVE TO WRITE IT IN PERMA-NENT MARKER ...
TEAM
小太郎
SKY DOG
does this mean an idiot dog who can fly through the air? your dear master
OVAL_6
負け犬
LOSER


THE CRASH AT THE THIRD CORNER RIGHT AFTER THE START...
JINKAWA STARTED IT...
BUT TSUJIDO IS THE ONE WHO SENT HIM FLYING....
THE RESULT ...

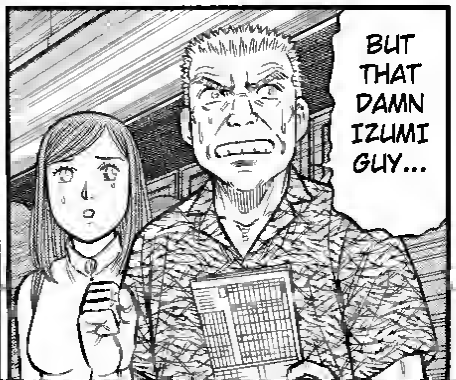
TWO MORE RIDERS BEHIND THEM EVEN GOT CAUGHT UP IN IT AND CRASHED AS WELL MEANING THAT THREE RIDERS WENT DOWN ALL TOGETHER...
...
TSUJIDO WAS ALREADY ...
EVEN IF HE WAS FIRST ACROSS THE GOAL...
DISQUALIFIED ...

SHI-
IIII-
IIIT
!!!


HE DID EVERYTHING HE WAS SUPPOSED TO AS THE POINT MAN FOR HIS LINE...!!
BUT... EVEN KNOWING THAT... RINTA...
FOR THE LAST MEMBER OF HIS LINE... NUMBER 7.... HE GAVE IT HIS ALL UNTIL THE END!!

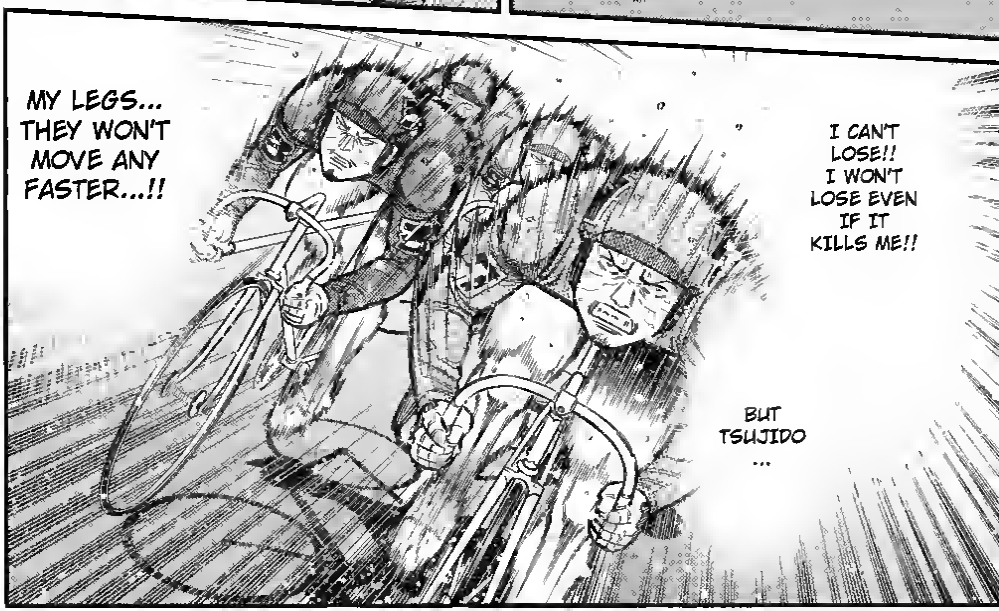

IS GIVING UP RIGHT AT THE GOAL!!

WOW LADY ...
YOU REALLY DO GET IT...

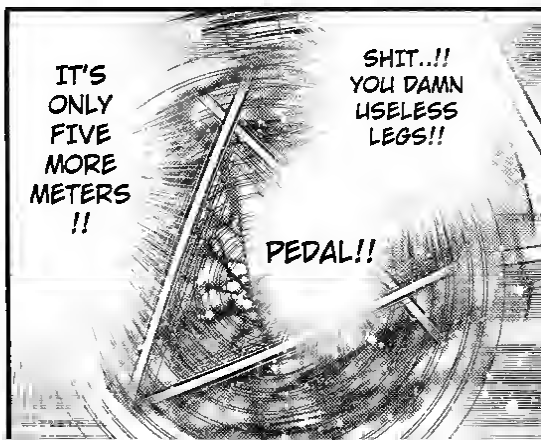

BUT THAT DAMN IZUMI GUY...

BUT STILL HE KEPT ON FOR ME!!
それでも オレのために…!!
オレを連れて ここまで 走ってくれた!!
HE BROUGHT ME ALL THE WAY HERE!!

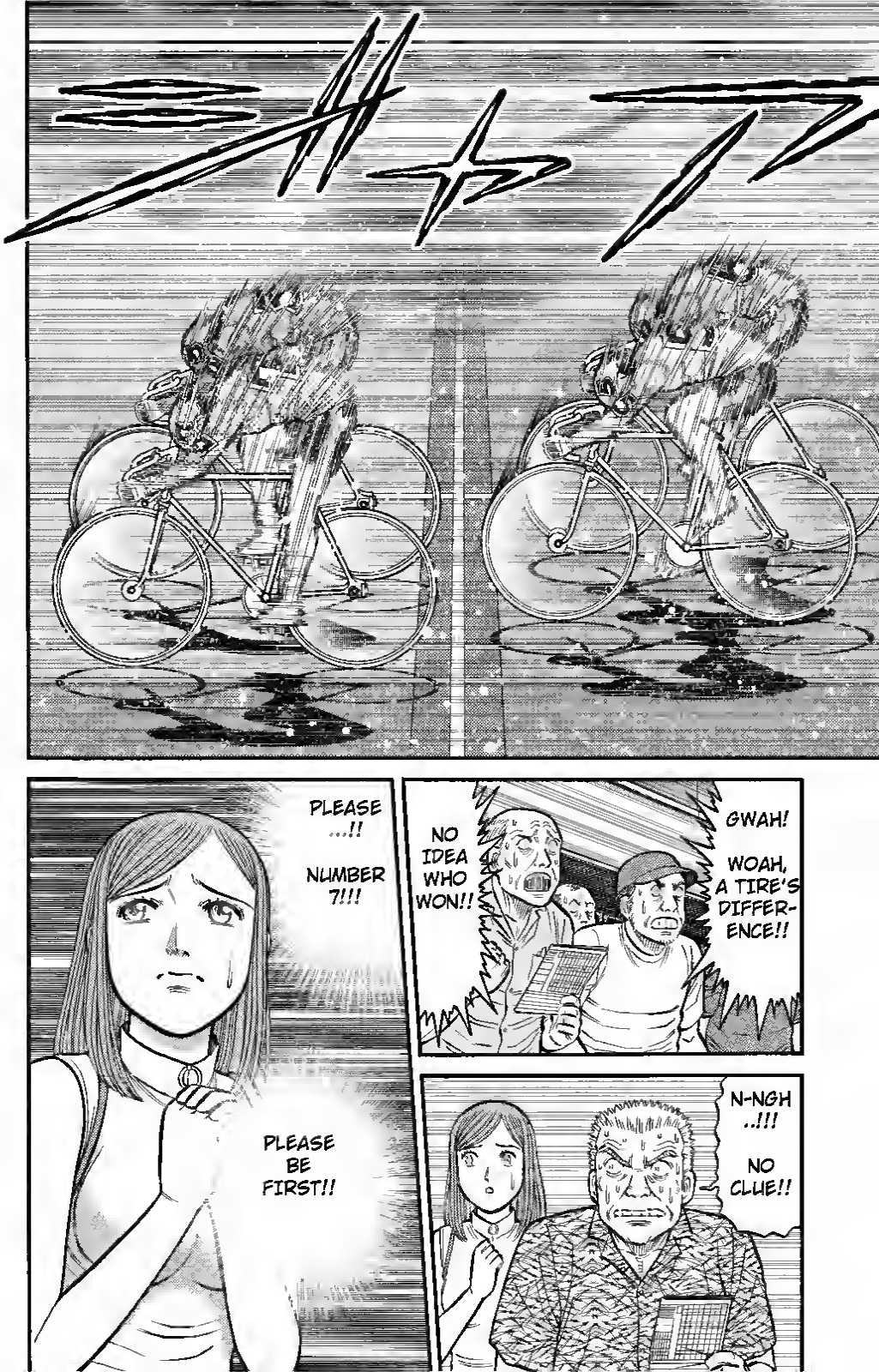
くっそ…!! 辻堂は自分が 失格だってわかってて…
DAMN...!! TSUJIDO KNEW HE WAS DISQUALIFIED...

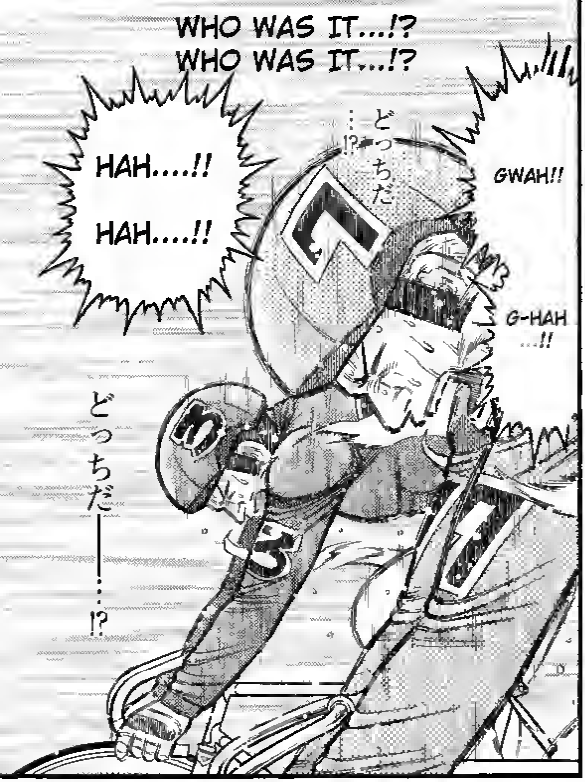

MY LEGS... THEY WON'T MOVE ANY FASTER...!!
I CAN'T LOSE!! I WON'T LOSE EVEN IF IT KILLS ME!!
BUT TSUJIDO ...

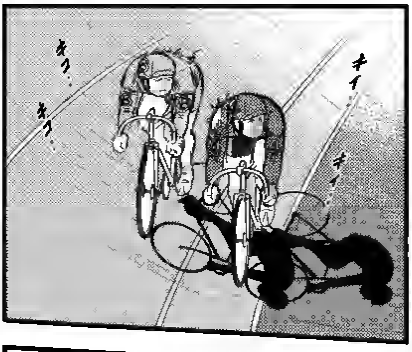
これで 負けたら…
IF I LOSE HERE ...!!


IT'S ONLY FIVE MORE METERS !!
SHIT..!! YOU DAMN USELESS LEGS!!
PEDAL!!

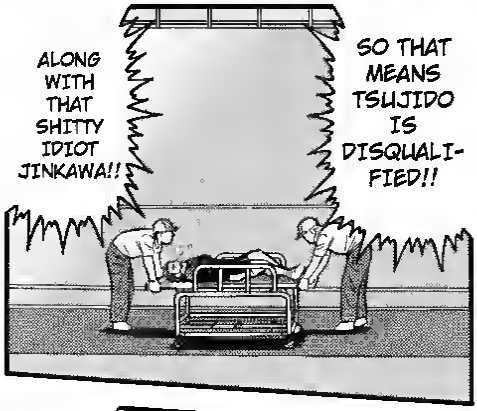
THEN I MIGHT AS WELL GIVE UP MY PRIDE AS A MAN!!!
IT'S MINE !!!
LET THAT HAPPEN !!!
LIKE I WILL ...

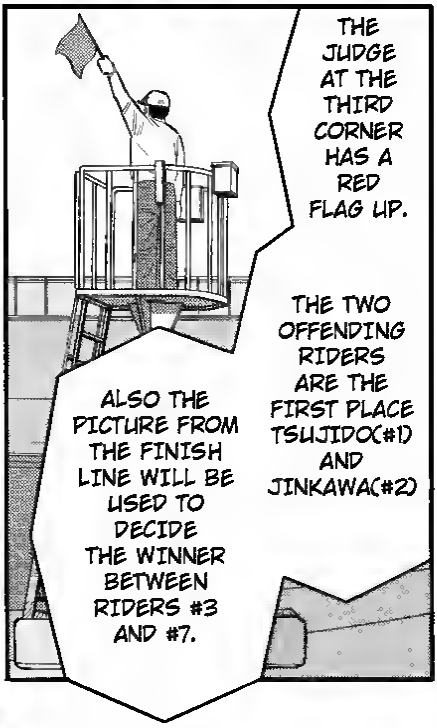

PLEASE ...!!
NUMBER 7!!!
PLEASE BE FIRST!!
NO IDEA WHO WON!!
GWAH!
WOAH, A TIRE'S DIFFER-ENCE!!
N-NGH ..!!!
NO CLUE!!


WHO WAS IT...!?
WHO WAS IT...!?
どっちだ...!?
HAH....!!
HAH....!!
GWAH!!
G-HAH ...!!
どっちだ――...!?


キィ...
キィ...

YOU AREN'T A MAN IN MY EYES IZUMI!!
IF YOU DON'T PULL THROUGH HERE ...


ALONG WITH THAT SHITTY IDIOT JINKAWA!!
SO THAT MEANS TSUJIDO IS DISQUALI-FIED!!


THE JUDGE AT THE THIRD CORNER HAS A RED FLAG UP.
THE TWO OFFENDING RIDERS ARE THE FIRST PLACE TSUJIDO(#1) AND JINKAWA(#2)
ALSO THE PICTURE FROM THE FINISH LINE WILL BE USED TO DECIDE THE WINNER BETWEEN RIDERS #3 AND #7.

WHO WON!?
JUST HURRY UP AND GIVE THE RESULTS !!

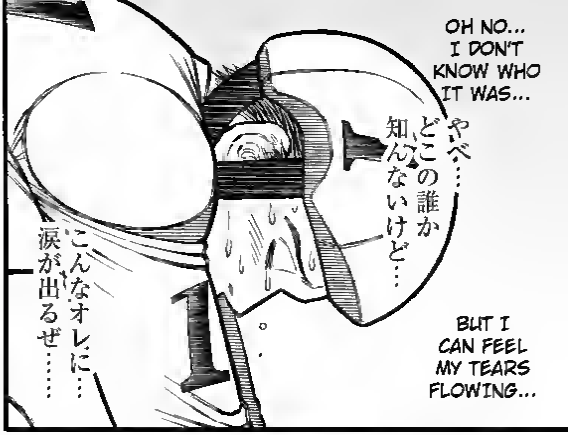
WE WILL ANNOUNCE THE RACE RESULTS NOW!!
THE FIRST PLACE RIDER TSUJIDO(#1) AND JINKAWA(#2) ...
ARE BOTH DISQUALI-FIED !!!
BAH ...!!
I KNEW IT!!
OF COURSE THEY ARE!!
終わった…オレの…デビュー戦…
しかも…初日失格で…
WELL THAT'S THE END OF MY DEBUT RACE...
AND MY FIRST DISQUALIFI-CATION...

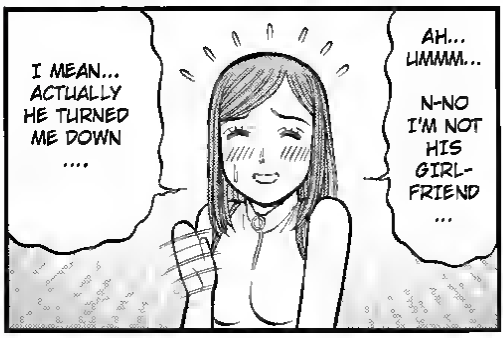
IT'S DECIDED!!
SO WHO ARE THE WINNERS!?
PLEASE... NUMBER 7!!
せめて…
7番車が…!!
FIRST PLACE GOES TO...
RIDER #7, IZUMI!!

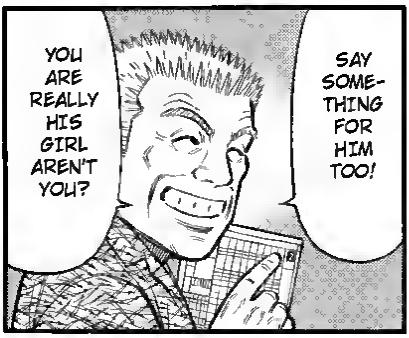
SECOND PLACE GOES TO...
RIDER #3, OGATA!!
THIRD PLACE IS... RIDER #5, NEBETSU!!
ALRIGHT !!!
YEAH, YEAH! THAT DAMN TSUJIDO MADE THREE PEOPLE FALL AND SCREWED UP THE WHOLE RACE!!
BUT WHAT ABOUT TSUJIDO! HE SHOULD HAVE JUST LET HIMSELF GO FLYING!!
IT'S JINKAWA! THAT IDIOT JINKAWA!!
WHOSE FAULT IS IT THAT THINGS GOT SO SCREWED UP!?
BAAAH!! WHAT A RIP-OFF!!
キャー
キャー
キャー
キャー
キャー

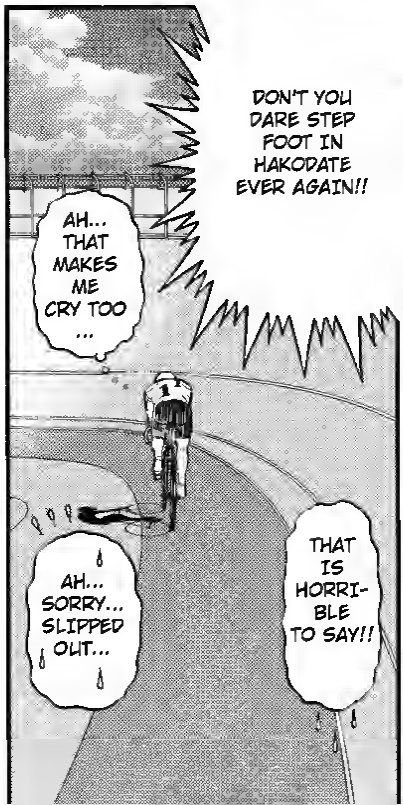
EVEN AS A PRO YOU NEED A PADDLING !!
SOME-ONE BRING ME A PADDLE
A PADDLE!!
YOU DAMN IDIOT!!
YOU REALLY ARE THE "BUTT PADDLE MVP"!!
NO!!
YOU DID GREAT TSUJIDO!!
RINTA ...
キャー
キャー
TSUJIDO!!
MAKE SURE TO TAKE FIRST PLACE NEXT TIME!!
YOU BETTER THANK HIM IZUMI!!
EVEN THOUGH IT WAS YOUR FIRST RACE YOU DID AMAZING!!

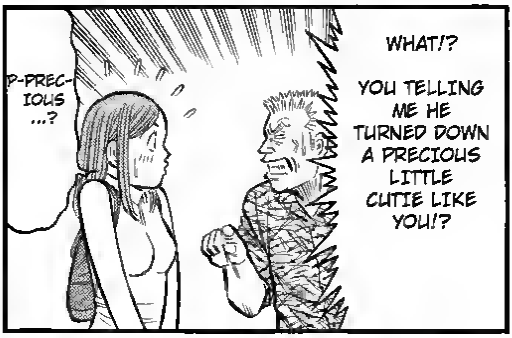
YOU
...

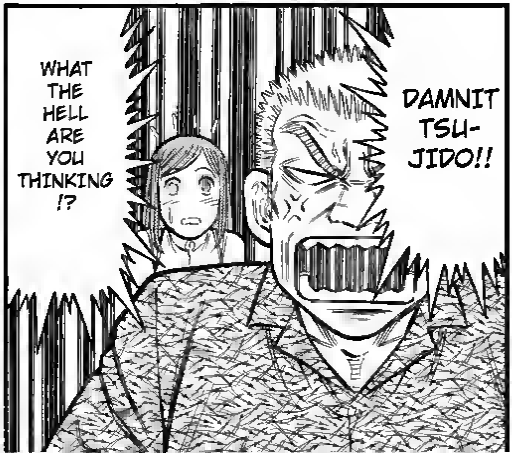

やべ……
どこの誰か
知んないけど…
こんなオレに…
涙が出るぜ……
OH NO...
I DON'T
KNOW WHO
IT WAS...
BUT I
CAN FEEL
MY TEARS
FLOWING...

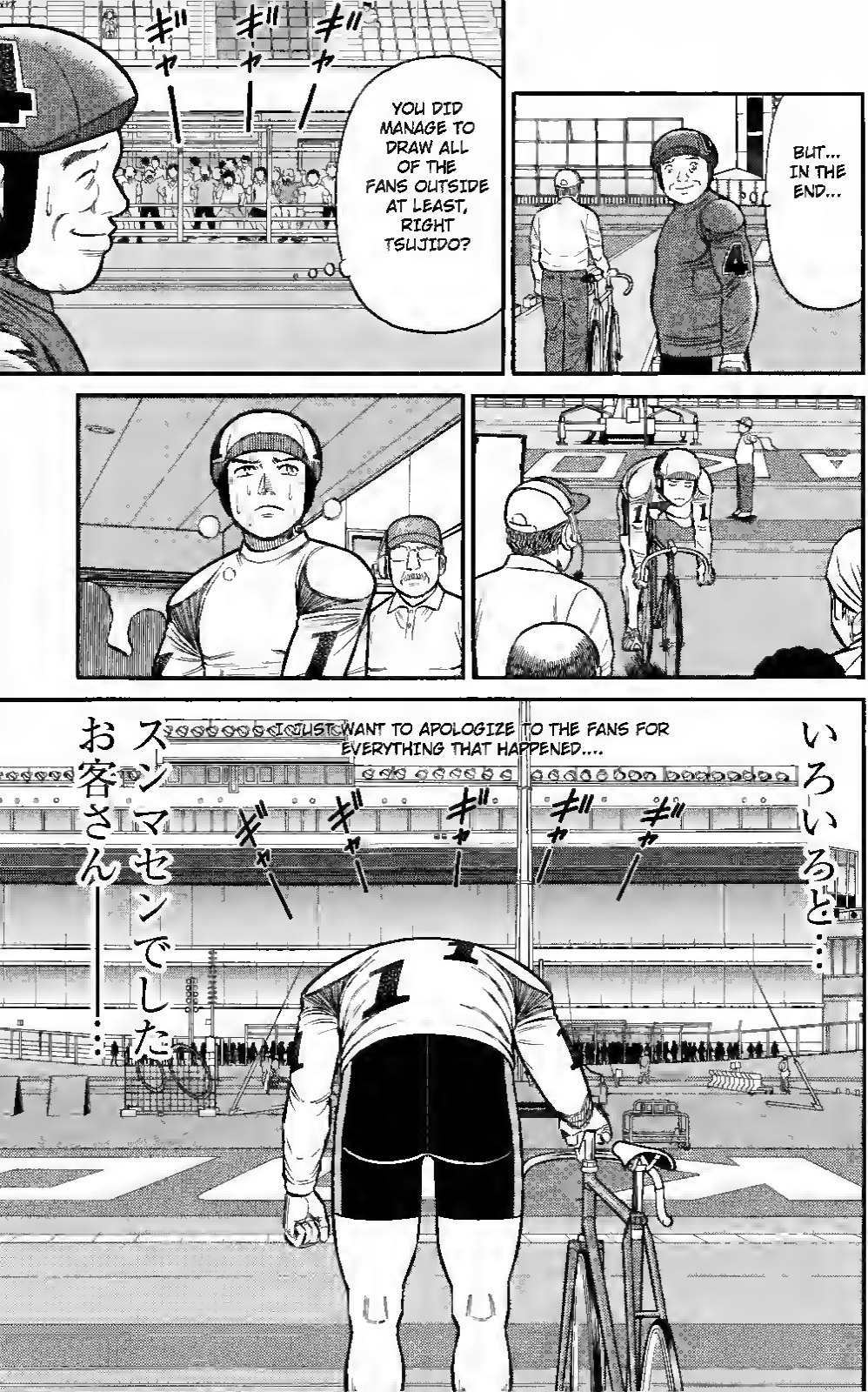

I MEAN...
ACTUALLY
HE TURNED
ME DOWN
....
AH...
UMMM...
N-NO
I'M NOT
HIS
GIRL-
FRIEND
...


YOU
ARE
REALLY
HIS GIRL
AREN'T
YOU?
SAY
SOME-
THING
FOR
HIM
TOO!


DON'T YOU
DARE STEP
FOOT IN
HAKODATE
EVER AGAIN!!
AH...
THAT
MAKES
ME
CRY TOO
...
AH...
SORRY...
SLIPPED
OUT...
THAT
IS
HORRI-
BLE
TO SAY!!


WHAT!?
YOU TELLING
ME HE
TURNED DOWN
A PRECIOUS
LITTLE
CUTIE LIKE
YOU!?
P-PREC-
IOUS
...?


DAMNIT
TSU-
JIDO!!
WHAT
THE
HELL
ARE
YOU
THINKING
!?


ギャー
キャー
キャー
YOU DID MANAGE TO DRAW ALL OF THE FANS OUTSIDE AT LEAST, RIGHT TSUJIDO?
BUT... IN THE END...
I JUST WANT TO APOLOGIZE TO THE FANS FOR EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED....
いろいろと…
スンマセンでした
お客さん!!…
ギャー
キャー
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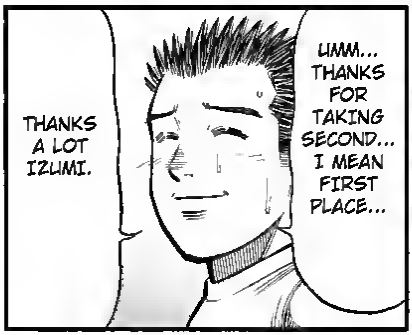
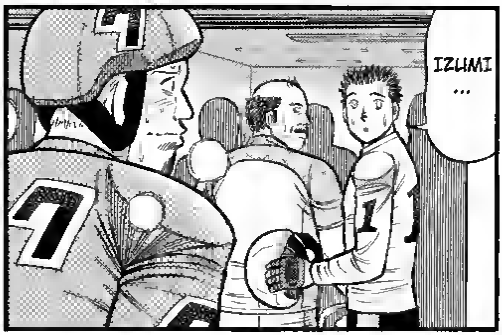
TSUJIDO !!!
UMM... WHAT ABOUT JINKAWA ...?

YEAH ...
TSUJIDO ... YOUR BIKE.


THANKS A LOT IZUMI.
UMM... THANKS FOR TAKING SECOND... I MEAN FIRST PLACE...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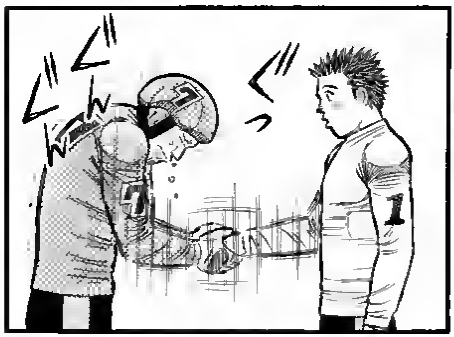
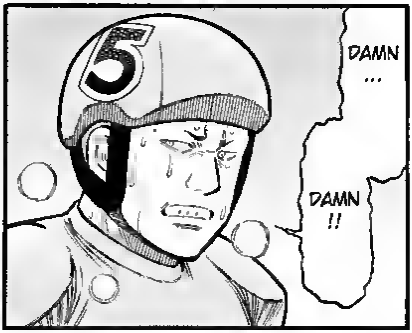
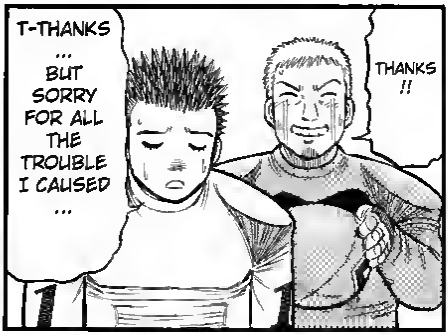


ALSO... THAT WAS SOME DAMN AMAZING RIDING TSUJIDO!!
DAMN!! YOU REALLY SHOWED YOUR STUFF FOR A CHANGE, IZUMI!!


DAMN ...
DAMN !!

IPPONGE ...
WELL... YOU SHOWED SOME BALLS OUT THERE IZUMI!!

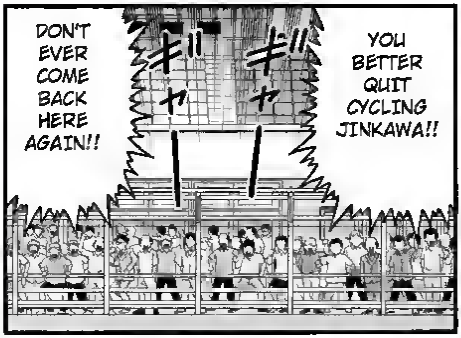

T-THANKS ... BUT SORRY FOR ALL THE TROUBLE I CAUSED ...
THANKS !!

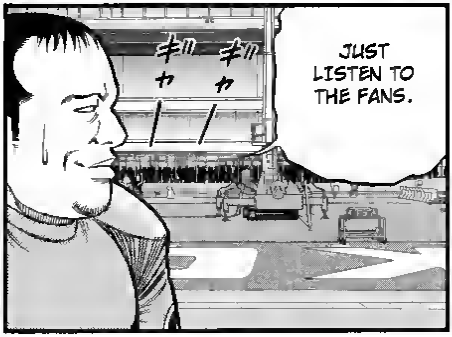
AH... I'M SO SORRY KAMEO!!
SAME FOR ME.

OH THIS? IT MAY LOOK BAD BUT IT'S JUST A SCRATCH THANKS TO MY PADS ...
UMM. HOW IS YOUR INJURY?
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!!

AND I WAS THE ONE WHO PULLED IPPONGE INTO THE WHOLE MESS...
NAH... IT WAS US WHO STARTED IT. YOU HAVE NO REASON TO APOLOGIZE.

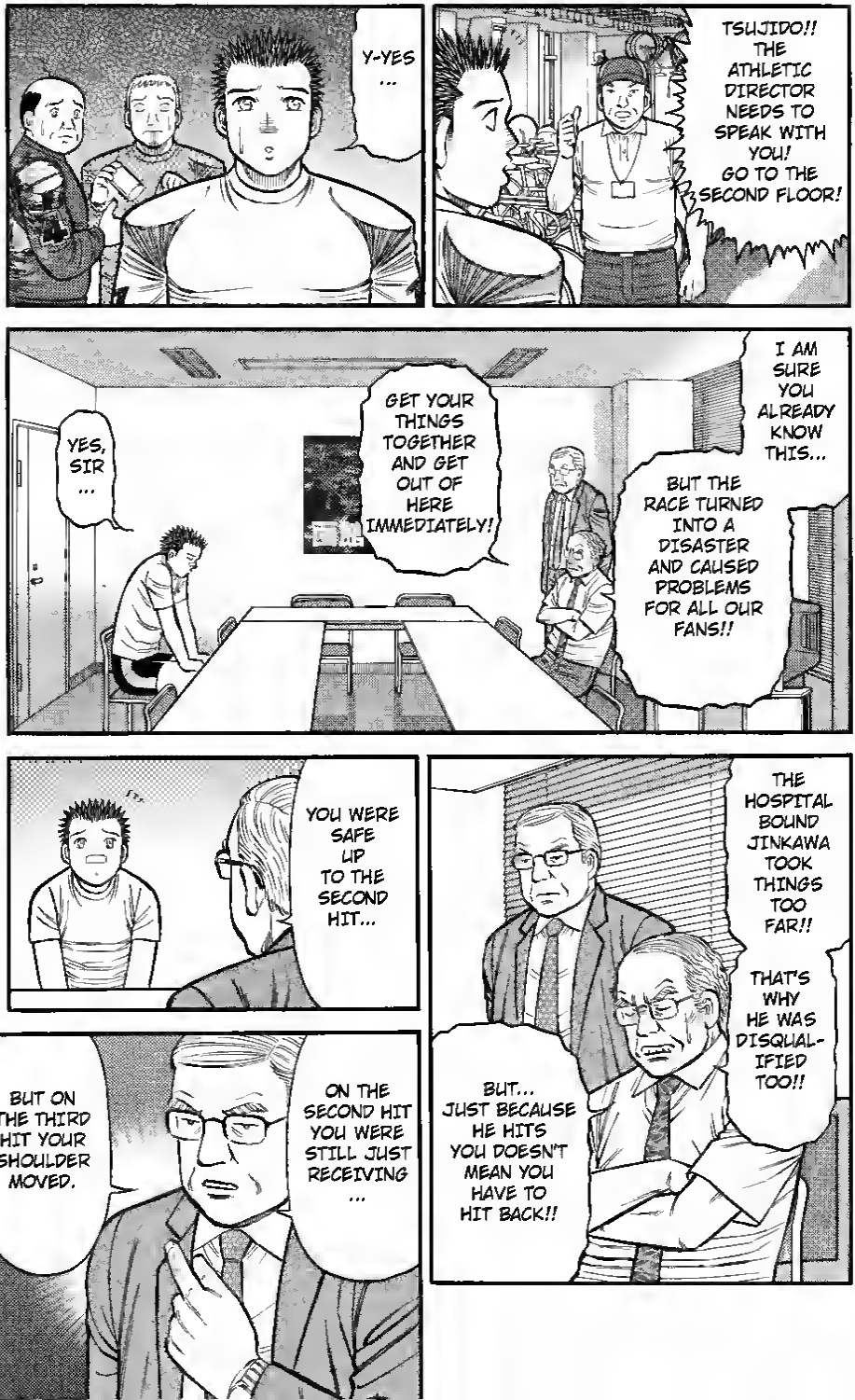
...
THAT MAN IS FINISHED ...
JINKAWA TOOK THINGS TOO FAR...
PLUS DOING ALL OF THAT JUST TO GET TAKEN DOWN BY A ROOKIE LIKE YOU...

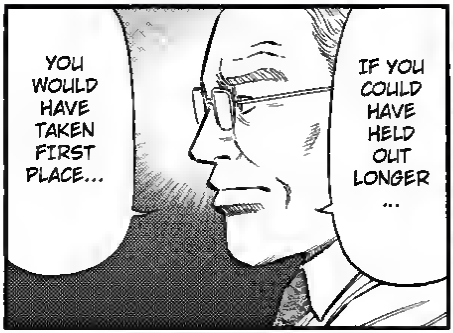

DON'T EVER COME BACK HERE AGAIN!!
YOU BETTER QUIT CYCLING JINKAWA!!


JUST LISTEN TO THE FANS.

...
TSUNEO JINKAWA AND THE GORYOKAI ....
IT'S ALL OVER.

WHEN A LOCAL STAR GETS HATED BY HIS LOCAL FANS...
THEY AREN'T EVEN JOKING...
IT'S OVER...!!


Y-YES ...
TSUJIDO!! THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR NEEDS TO SPEAK WITH YOU! GO TO THE SECOND FLOOR!
YES, SIR ...
GET YOUR THINGS TOGETHER AND GET OUT OF HERE IMMEDIATELY!
I AM SURE YOU ALREADY KNOW THIS...
BUT THE RACE TURNED INTO A DISASTER AND CAUSED PROBLEMS FOR ALL OUR FANS!!
YOU WERE SAFE UP TO THE SECOND HIT...
THE HOSPITAL BOUND JINKAWA TOOK THINGS TOO FAR!!
THAT'S WHY HE WAS DISQUAL-IFIED TOO!!
BUT... JUST BECAUSE HE HITS YOU DOESN'T MEAN YOU HAVE TO HIT BACK!!
ON THE SECOND HIT YOU WERE STILL JUST RECEIVING ...
BUT ON THE THIRD HIT YOUR SHOULDER MOVED.


IF YOU COULD HAVE HELD OUT LONGER ...
YOU WOULD HAVE TAKEN FIRST PLACE...

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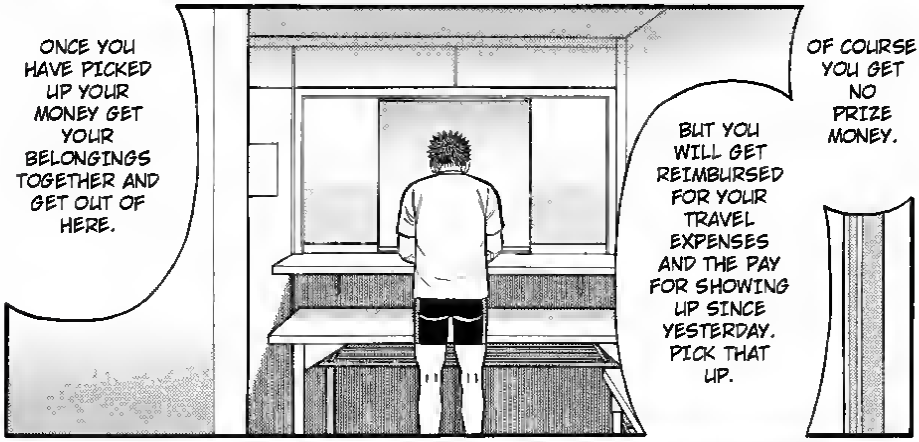
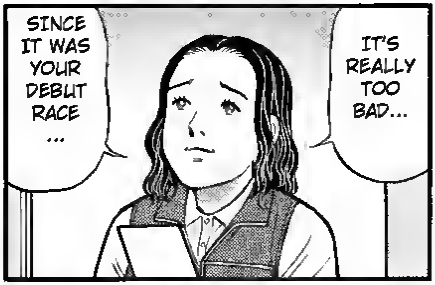
YES, SIR...
THEY REALLY DO WATCH CLOSELY...


ONCE YOU HAVE PICKED UP YOUR MONEY GET YOUR BELONGINGS TOGETHER AND GET OUT OF HERE.
BUT YOU WILL GET REIMBURSED FOR YOUR TRAVEL EXPENSES AND THE PAY FOR SHOWING UP SINCE YESTERDAY. PICK THAT UP.
OF COURSE YOU GET NO PRIZE MONEY.

AH... YES.
JUST MAKE SURE TO COUNT YOUR MONEY.
NO REASON TO APOLOGIZE TO ME.

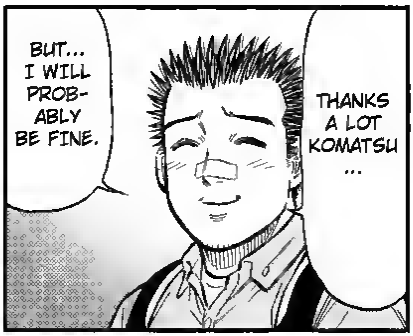

SINCE IT WAS YOUR DEBUT RACE ...
IT'S REALLY TOO BAD...

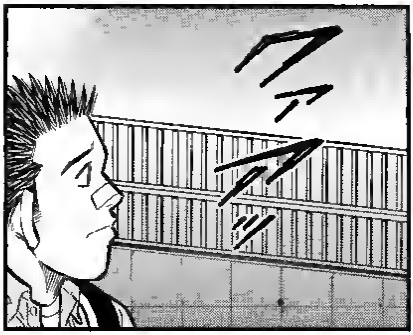
... SORRY ...

70,200 YEN ...
HMM... IS IT REALLY OKAY FOR ME TO TAKE ALL THIS...? SINCE I WAS DIS-QUALIFIED?
ALL THIS ...?
THERE ISN'T MUCH LEFT ONCE YOU TAKE OUT TRAVEL EXPENSES RIGHT?
I'M SO SORRY ...
THANK YOU SO MUCH ...
SORRY ...
I TOLD YOU TO STOP CRYING !!!
MAN UP AND STOP CRYING LIKE A BABY!
SORRY... SORRY...
I TOLD YOU TO STOP ~~!
WE AREN'T ALLOWED TO SEE YOU OFF ANY FARTHER THAN THIS...
YES ...

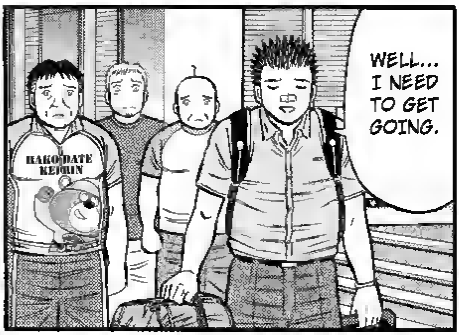
SORRY THAT ...
I WON'T BE ABLE TO MAKE YOU TEA IN THE MORNING ...
STUPID ...!! THAT'S FINE!!
DON'T WORRY OVER US ANYMORE !!
WE SHOULD APOLOGIZE FOR WHAT HAPPENED TODAY ...
IF YOU WOULD HAVE RIDDEN AT 100% FROM THE START NOTHING LIKE THIS WOULD HAVE EVEN HAPPENED...
YOU ARE CRAZY AMAZING MAN! THE WAY YOU RIDE IS SO AWESOME!!
NEXT TIME...
WE WILL GET OUR PERFECT VICTORY!
NEXT TIME WE WILL ALL GET FIRST PLACE!!
GOT IT...!!
THANKS FOR LOOKING AFTER ME, YOU TWO...!
TSUJIDO... IF YOU DON'T HAVE A PLACE TO STAY YOU CAN CRASH AT MY HOUSE.
IF YOU NEED ANYTHING JUST CALL THAT NUMBER I GAVE YOU EARLIER.

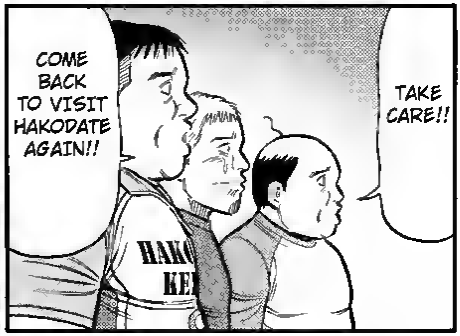
...
BECAUSE OF THE NIGHT RUNS... MUST BE THE NINTH ROUND BY NOW...


BUT... I WILL PROB-ABLY BE FINE.
THANKS A LOT KOMATSU ...



NHHH ...
UGH ...


HAKODATE KEIBIN
WELL... I NEED TO GET GOING.


COME BACK TO VISIT HAKODATE AGAIN!!
TAKE CARE!!

UWAAAA-
AAAAA-
AAA-
AAAH-
~~~!
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AKIYA ...
SEEING IT ON THE HIGH LIGHT REELS GIVES ME THE CHILLS.
TSUJI-DO'S RIDING ...
WHAT KIND OF PRACTICE DO YOU GUYS DO?
RIDING AS IF HE WERE ANCHORED TO THE GROUND AND NOT BEING MOVED BY THOSE POWERFUL BLOWS ...!!
THE HIGH SPEED CADENCE...!!
THE LAST ROCKET-POWERED GEAR CHANGE!!
WELL.. TO SCARE HIS OTHER RIVALS FROM CYCLING SCHOOL...
IT WAS GOOD ENOUGH I GUESS ...
BUT HE IS STILL A DAMN IDIOT...
GETTING DISQUA-LIFIED LIKE THAT...!!
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KELIN

—辻堂麟太郎デビュー戦績—

-RESULT FROM RINTARO TSUJIDO'S FIRST RACE-

初日失格

DISQUALIFIED ON THE FIRST DAY

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WON'T END

UWAAAH!
MIHO!!
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終わらねエ
WON'T END

ARE YOU SAYING IT'S NOT LIKE THAT!?
WEREN'T YOU WAITING FOR HIM TO COME OUT!?
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU ARE DOING MIHO!!
WELL.. I WAS WAITING FOR HIM WHEN HE CAME OUT ...
BUT RINTA WAS SO DEPRESSED HE COULDN'T STOP THE TEARS OR SNOT FROM RUNNING DOWN HIS FACE...
IT WASN'T REALLY THE BEST TIME TO CALL OUT TO HIM LIKE THAT...

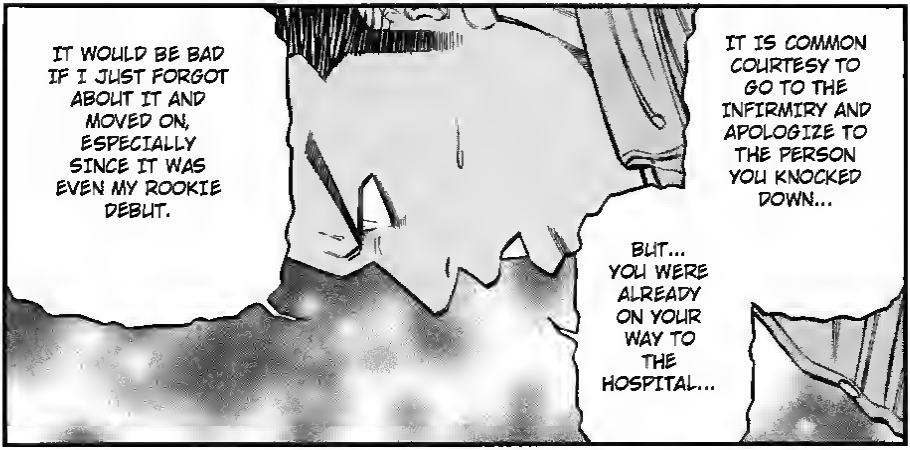
IT'S ALWAYS A GOOD TIME FOR THAT!!
SO... I COULDN'T REALLY MOVE...
EVEN A FIRST GRADER IS BETTER AT DEALING WITH MEN COMPARED TO YOU!
HAH...
SO WHY ARE YOU SO HOPELESS IN REALITY!?
EVERYONE AT SCHOOL THINKS YOU ARE A COOL BEAUTY!!
AHHH... UNBELIEV-ABLE!!
WHAT DID YOU EVEN GO ALL THE WAY TO HAKODATE FOR?!
Y-YEAH... BUT HIS CELL HAS BEEN OFF THE WHOLE TIME...
SO... DID YOU AT LEAST TRY TO CONTACT RINTA?

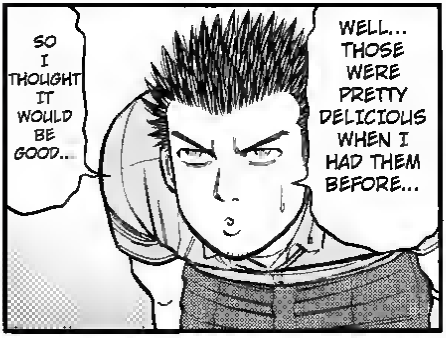
AH... SORRY!!
I DIDN'T MEAN IT!
DON'T CRY MIHO!!
I KNOW BUT....!
*SNIFFLE *SNIFFLE*
YEAH I KNOW ...
DID YOU NOT GET TO MEET TSUJIDO OR SOME-THING?
HEY... YOU STILL HERE?
HUH? IS THAT THE SAME GIRL AS BEFORE STANDING OUT THERE?
U-UH....
SO... WHERE DID TSUJIDO GO?
WAAA-AAA-AAA-AAA-AAAH ....
MISTER ....
AND YOU ARE SO BEAUTIFUL NORMALLY !!
UWAH! THAT'S A SCARY FACE!!

I AM SORRY FOR CAUSING YOU TO CRASH!!
... HUH?

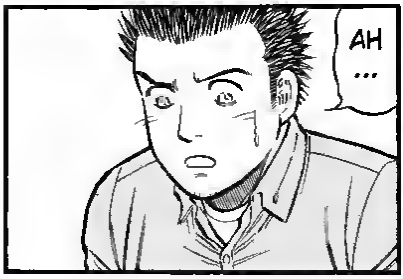
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE...?
TSUJI... DO!!!

THAT I NEEDED TO SAY TO YOU, JINKAWA ...
I HAD JUST ONE THING...


IT WOULD BE BAD IF I JUST FORGOT ABOUT IT AND MOVED ON, ESPECIALLY SINCE IT WAS EVEN MY ROOKIE DEBUT.
IT IS COMMON COURTESY TO GO TO THE INFIRMIRY AND APOLOGIZE TO THE PERSON YOU KNOCKED DOWN...
BUT... YOU WERE ALREADY ON YOUR WAY TO THE HOSPITAL...


SO I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE GOOD...
WELL... THOSE WERE PRETTY DELICIOUS WHEN I HAD THEM BEFORE...

BRING SOME HOKKAIDO TREATS TO A LOCAL HOKKAIDO PERSON LIKE ME?
SO YOU THOUGHT YOU WOULD BRING A SOUVENEIR AND APOLOGIZE IN PERSON?


AH ...

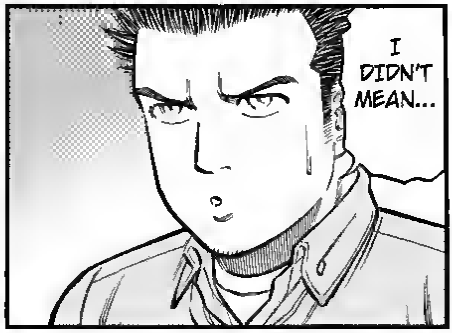
DON'T MESS WITH ME DAMNIT!!

WHAT... IS THIS?
...
70,000 ...
200 YEN ...?
THIS IS... THE MONEY YOU MADE?
EVEN INCLUDING THE TRAVEL EXPENSES...
THIS IS ALL OF THE MONEY YOU GOT?
Y-YEAH ...
...

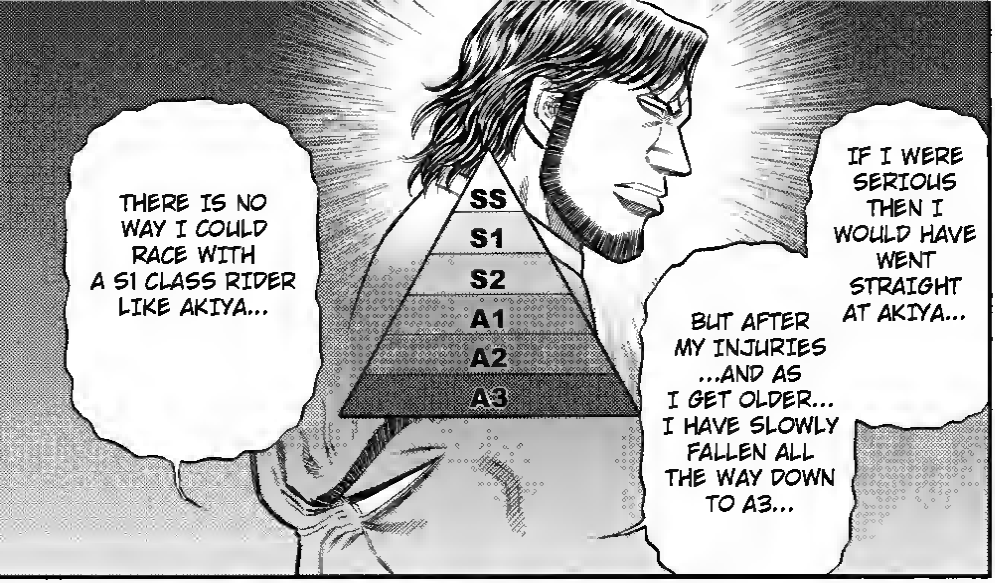
AT FIRST... I THOUGHT YOU WOULD BE FINE WITH THOSE SHRIMP CRACKERS...
BUT...
I REMEMBERED HOW MY MASTER ALWAYS TOLD ME NOT TO BE CHEAP IN MATTERS WHERE YOUR MANLINESS IS AT STAKE...
PLUS I PUT YOU IN THE HOSPITAL AND ALL...
SO I JUST PUT IT ALL IN THERE!!
YOU DAMN IDIOT!!
YOU BETTER STOP LOOKING DOWN ON ME DAMNIT!!

NO MORE... DON'T MAKE ME FEEL MORE PITIFUL THAN I ALREADY DO!!
I LET MYSELF GET PISSED AT A NOOB LIKE YOU...!!
I'M THE PIECE OF CRAP THAT LET HIMSELF GET SENT FLYING!!

I JUST SAID THOSE THINGS BECAUSE I NEED TO PROTECT MY PRIDE...AS A TEACHER AND AS A RIDER!!
IT WAS ALL JUST ME BEING SELFISH ...
MY FORMER STUDENT DOESN'T BLAME AKIYA...


I DIDN'T MEAN...

IT WAS MY OWN PANICING AND DESPERA-TION ...!!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S1
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A1
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A3
THERE IS NO WAY I COULD RACE WITH A S1 CLASS RIDER LIKE AKIYA...
IF I WERE SERIOUS THEN I WOULD HAVE WENT STRAIGHT AT AKIYA...
BUT AFTER MY INJURIES ...AND AS I GET OLDER... I HAVE SLOWLY FALLEN ALL THE WAY DOWN TO A3...

JINKAWA AND THE GORYOKAI ARE BOTH FINISHED.
PEOPLE GOT TIRED OF IT AND WERE EVEN LEAVING MY TRAINING GROUP
LACKING IN POWER... AND ALWAYS JUST SPOUTING THE SAME MANLY BULLCRAP...

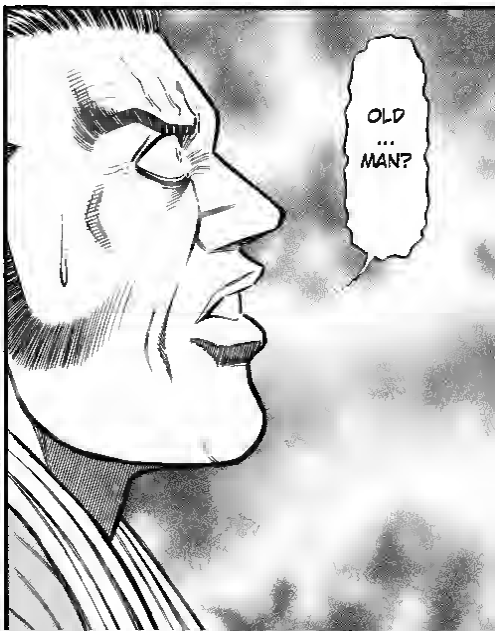
BUT WITH A ROOKIE LIKE YOU...
I THOUGHT I COULD USE YOU AS A SUCKER TO MAKE EVERYONE GIVE ME THE RESPECT I DESERVED...
YOU CAME AT THE PERFECT TIME FOR ME...
NOT ONLY COULD I TREAT AKIYA TO THE SAME THING I FELT...

FOR SOMETHING AS TRIFLE AS THAT...
I TOOK YOUR DEBUT RACE...
AND DESTROYED THE WHOLE THING!!
...

I DON'T CARE ABOUT YOUR STUPID PRIDE OR SAVING FACE OR WHATEVER ...
SO WHAT ...?
IF YOU ARE GOING TO DO SOME-THING DO IT RIGHT!!
I'M NOT HERE TO LISTEN TO YOUR WHINING!!
ENEMIES ON EVERY CIRCUIT THAT WE MEET ON!!
THIS DOESN'T EVEN HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH MY MASTER ANYMORE!!
NOW WE WILL BE ...

SO...
DON'T JUST BE LAZING AROUND IN A3 FOREVER OLD MAN!!
WE CAN'T LET THIS DOUBLE DISQUALI-FICATION BE THE END OF THIS!!
I WON'T FEEL BETTER UNTIL I GET TO SETTLE THINGS WITH YOU PROPERLY!

I HAVE TO CLIMB UP THE RANKS!!
I WILL BE ON MY WAY TO A2 SOON!!

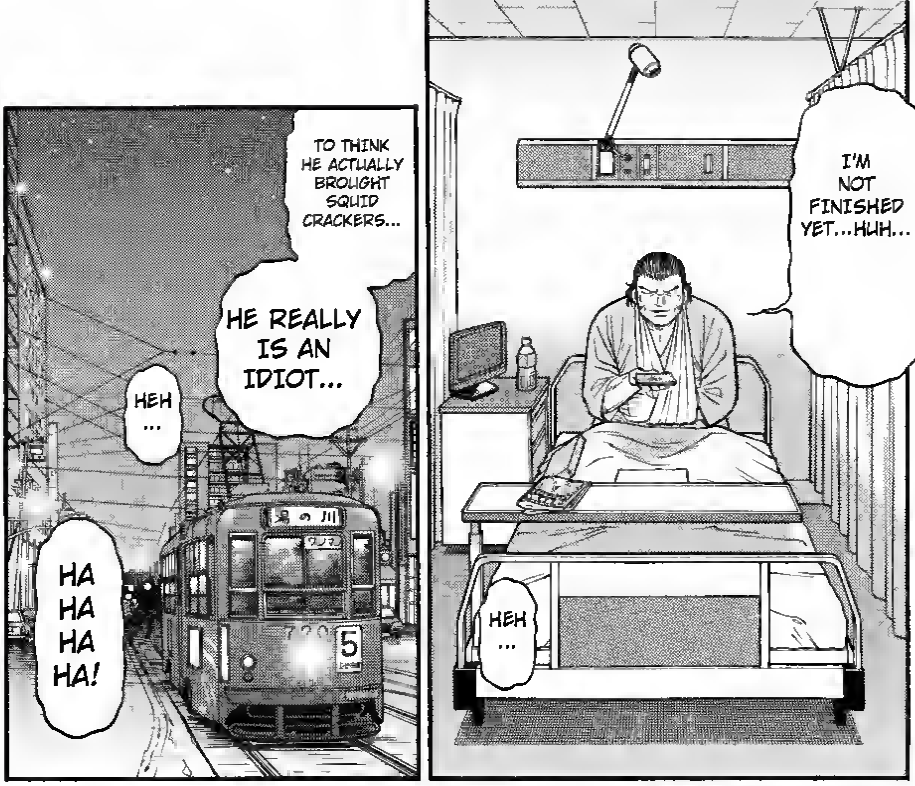

OLD ... MAN?

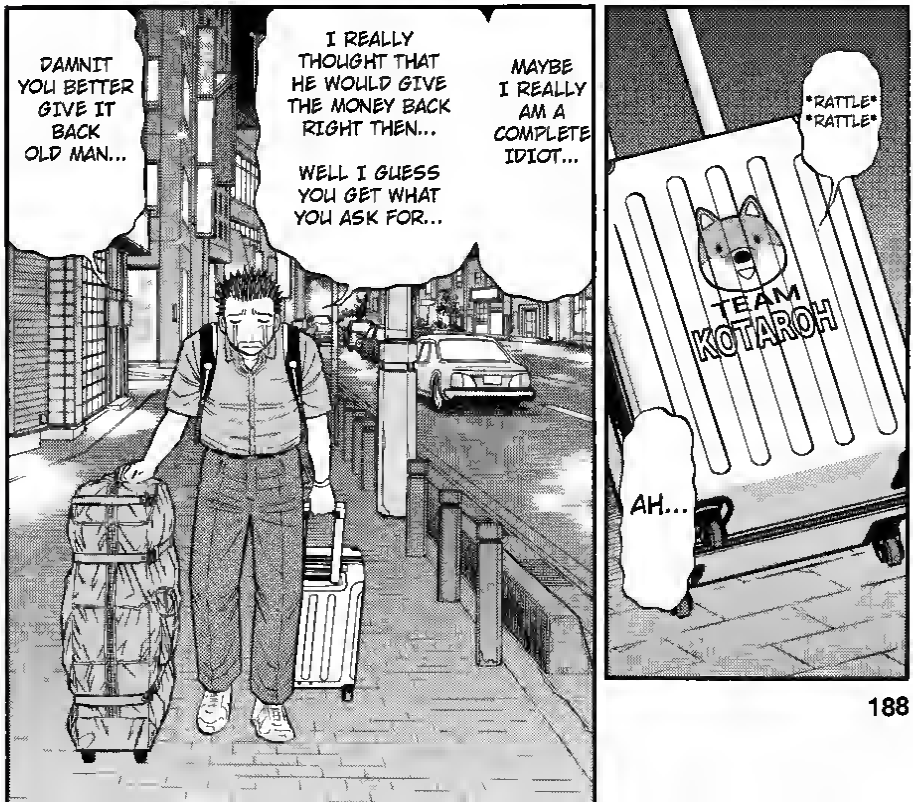
SO...
IF YOU ARE STILL A MAN THEN MEET ME THERE!!
SO WE CAN SETTLE THINGS!!
CLIMB TO THE TOP ONE MORE TIME ...!!
Y-YOU ...
DON'T YOU DARE...
SPOUT CRAP LIKE THAT!!
OR ...
ARE YOU REALLY FINISHED ?

I'M... I'M NOT FINISHED ...!!
I WON'T LET THIS BE THE END!!
I WILL SEE YOU THERE...!!
WE WILL RACE EACH OTHER AGAIN!!

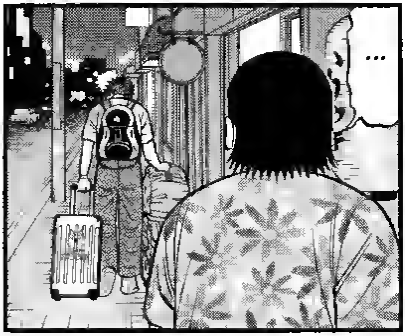
WELL THEN TAKE THAT MONEY WITH YOU!!
OR IF YOU DON'T NEED IT THEN JUST GIVE IT BACK!!
BUT JUST REMEMBER THAT REAL MEN DON'T BREAK THEIR PROMISES!!

TSUJIDO!!!
UMM... PLEASE BE QUIET IN YOUR HOSPITAL ROOM...
SLAM
AH... UH...
SORRY ...
HEH...
INSTEAD OF SLOWLY SLIPPING DOWN AND FINALLY GETTING CUT...
I FIGURED IT WOULD BE BETTER TO JUST GO ALL OUT AND JUST GET FIRED STRAIGHT OUT...
NOW I CAN'T REALLY DO THAT ANYMORE...


I'M NOT FINISHED YET...HWH...
HEH...
TO THINK HE ACTUALLY BROUGHT SQUID CRACKERS...
HE REALLY IS AN IDIOT...
HEH...
HA HA HA HA!


MAYBE I REALLY AM A COMPLETE IDIOT...
I REALLY THOUGHT THAT HE WOULD GIVE THE MONEY BACK RIGHT THEN...
WELL I GUESS YOU GET WHAT YOU ASK FOR...
DAMNIT YOU BETTER GIVE IT BACK OLD MAN...
RATTLE *RATTLE*
TEAM KOTAROH
AH...

MAN... THIS WAS SUPPOSED TO BE MY PERFECT VICTORY...
SNIFF *SNIFF*
BUT INSTEAD I END UP COMPLETELY IN THE RED...
WHAT AM I GONNA DO...?
MUMBLE *MUMBLE*
I GUESS I NEED TO FIND SOMEWHERE TO CAMP...
IT REALLY IS TOUGH BEING A MAN...
特上特選
海鮮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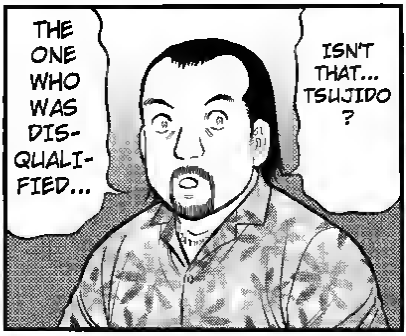
ISN'T THAT... TSUJIDO ?
THE ONE WHO WAS DIS-QUALI-FIED...

I STAYED WITH THAT HOMELESS GUY WHEN I WAS IN KORIYAMA IN THE DEAD OF WINTER...
IT IS SUMMER HERE IN HAKODATE SO IT SHOULD BE OKAY....
BUT... IT STILL SUCKS !!
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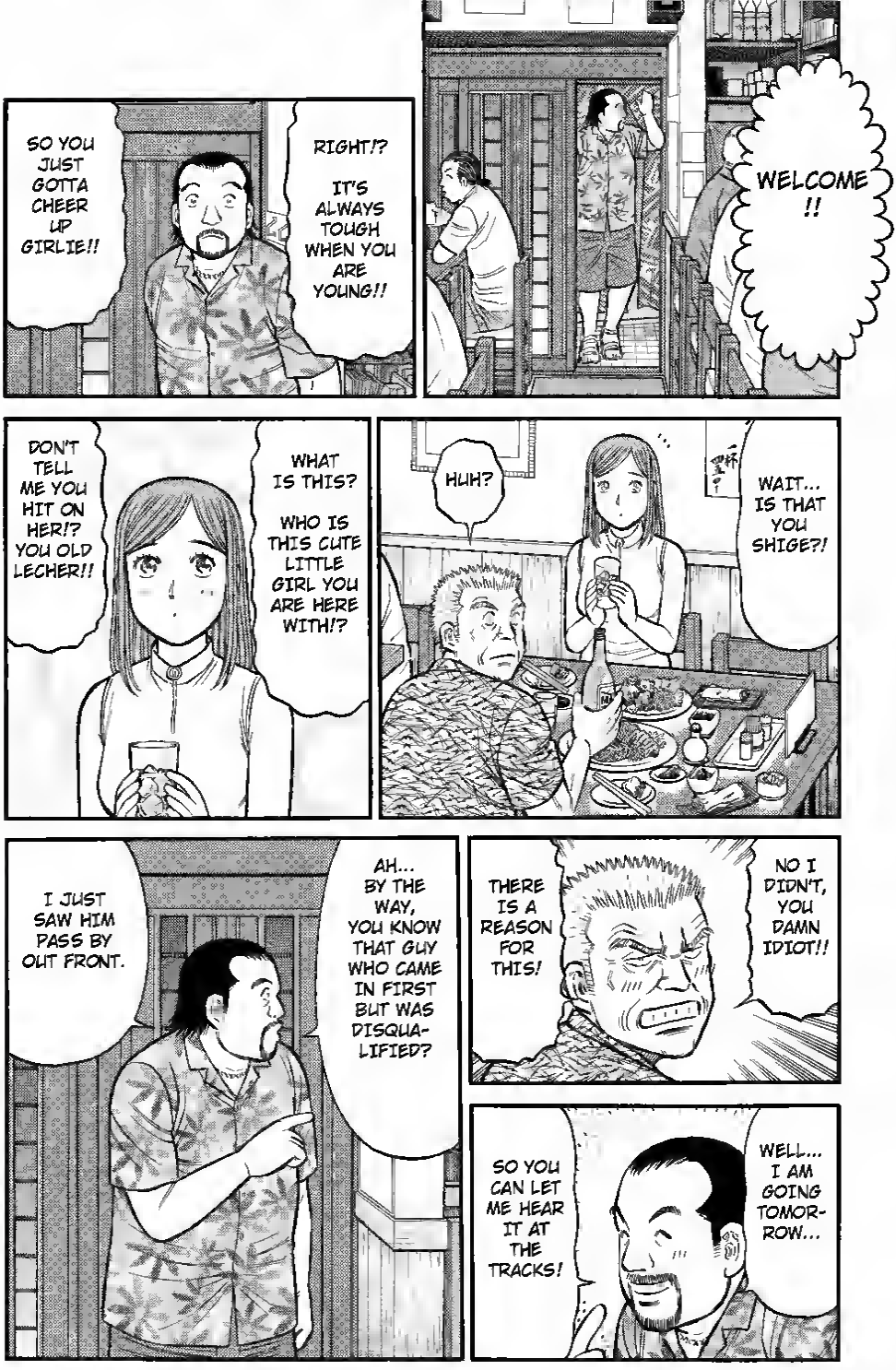
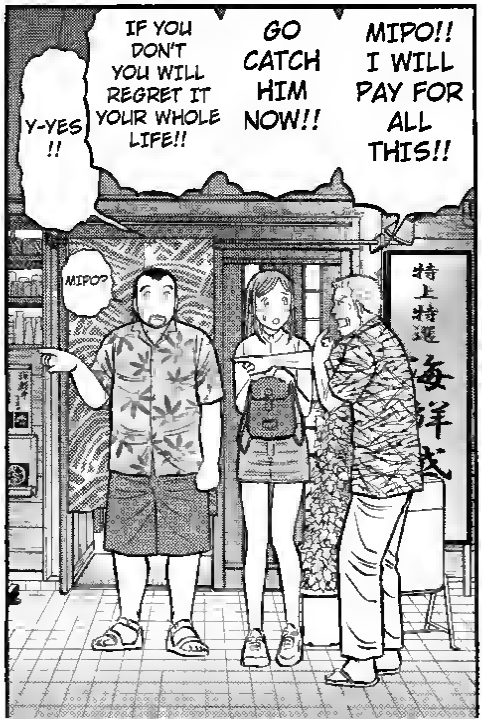
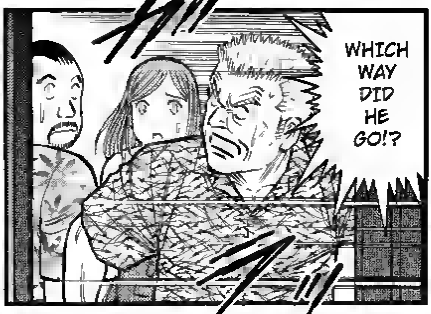
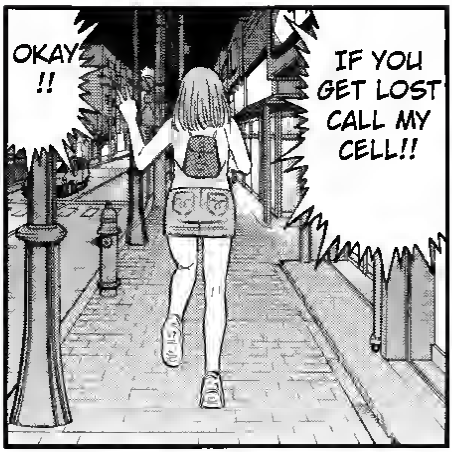

WELCOME!!
SO YOU JUST GOTTA CHEER UP GIRLIE!!
RIGHT!?
IT'S ALWAYS TOUGH WHEN YOU ARE YOUNG!!
WAIT... IS THAT YOU SHIGE?!
HUH?
WHAT IS THIS?
WHO IS THIS CUTE LITTLE GIRL YOU ARE HERE WITH!?
DON'T TELL ME YOU HIT ON HER!? YOU OLD LECHER!!
NO I DIDN'T, YOU DAMN IDIOT!!
THERE IS A REASON FOR THIS!
AH... BY THE WAY, YOU KNOW THAT GUY WHO CAME IN FIRST BUT WAS DISQUA-LIFIED?
I JUST SAW HIM PASS BY OUT FRONT.
WELL... I AM GOING TOMOR-ROW...
SO YOU CAN LET ME HEAR IT AT THE TRACKS!

EH!?
WHAT !?

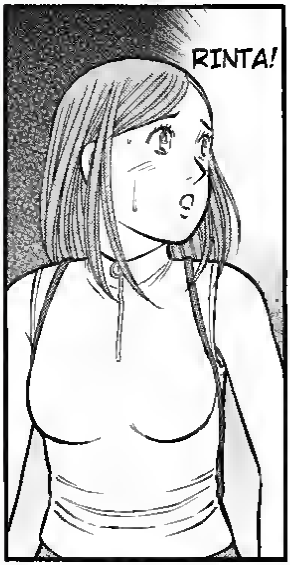

MIPO!! I WILL PAY FOR ALL THIS!!
GO CATCH HIM NOW!!
IF YOU DON'T YOU WILL REGRET IT YOUR WHOLE LIFE!!
Y-YES !!
MIPO?
特上特選 海洋弐

WHAT !?
HUH!?
HUH!?


WHICH WAY DID HE GO!?


OKAY !!
IF YOU GET LOST CALL MY CELL!!

THANKS MISTER!!
OK !!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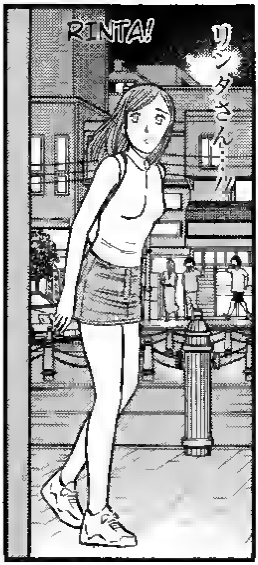
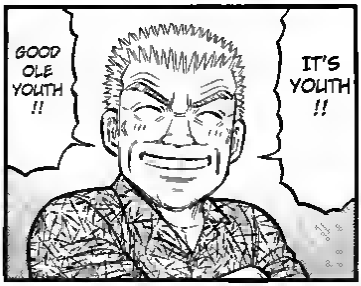
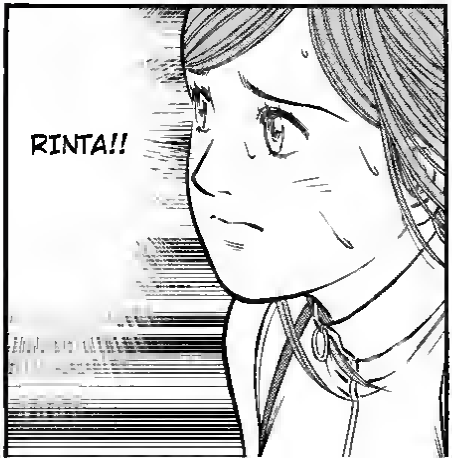

RINTA!
リンタさん…!!

WHAT IS GOING ON SHIGE?


GOOD OLE YOUTH !!
IT'S YOUTH !!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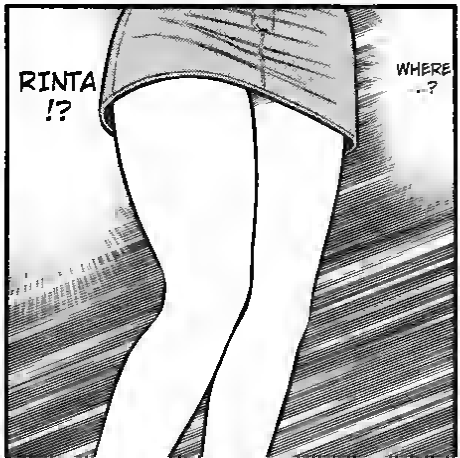
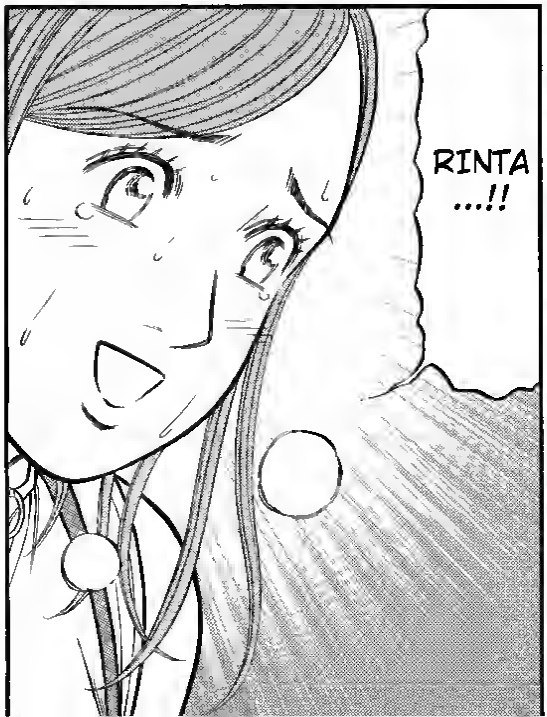
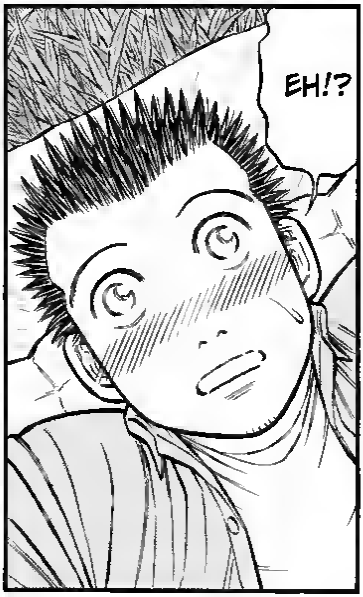

RINTA !?
WHERE ..?

HAAH ...
HERE ...
SHOULD BE FINE...
ALL THE STARS ...
THEY ARE SO BRIGHT...
W-WHO IS THERE?
A POLICE-MAN?
"RUSTLE"
"RUSTLE"
WHY DO I HAVE TO COME?
HUH...?
SOMEWHERE AROUND HERE WHERE YOU CAN CAMP?
HMM...
WELL THEN I GUESS ...

WHA
....


RINTA
...!!

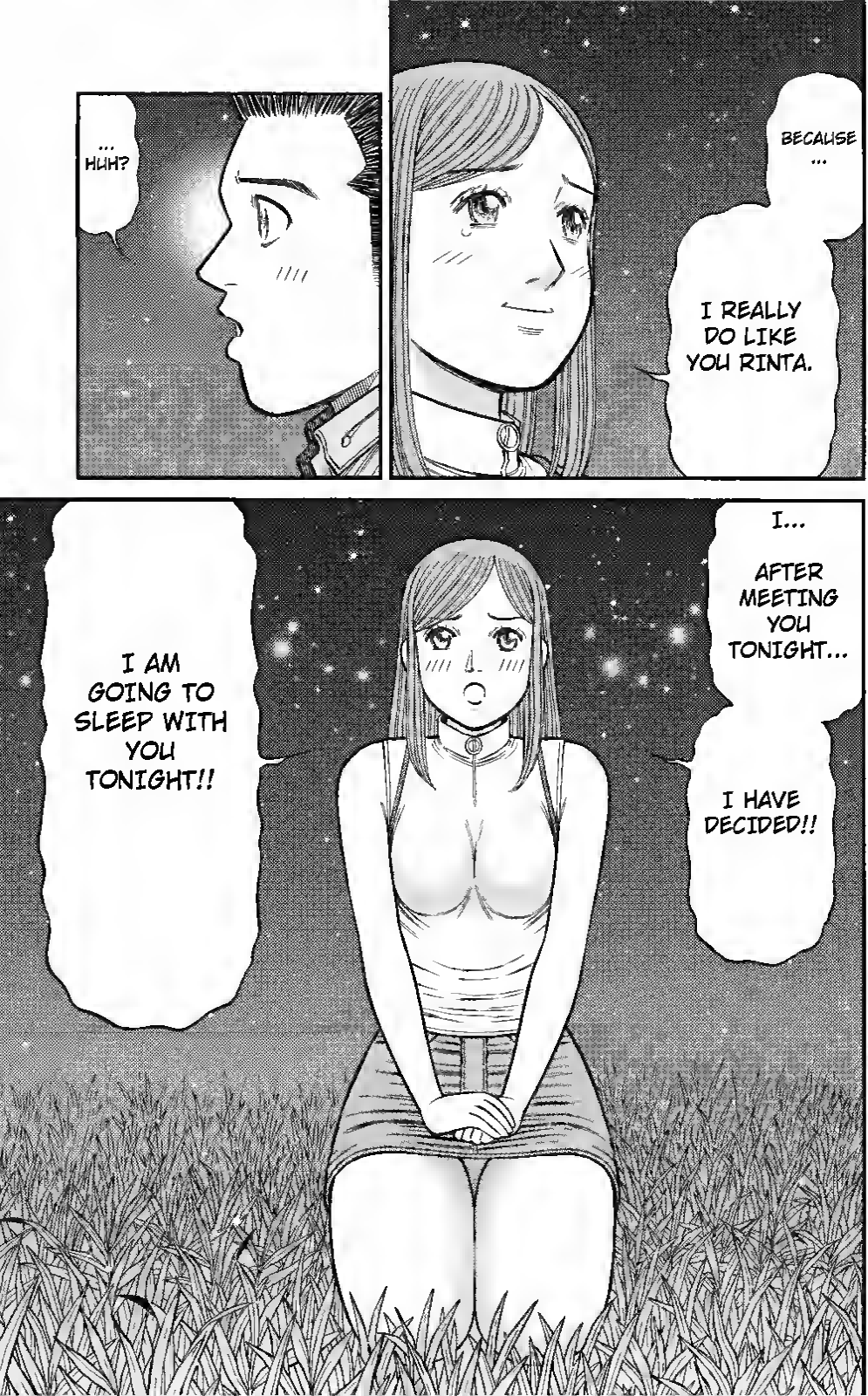

EH!?

OVAL_8
前向いてゴー!!
LOOK FORWARD AND GO!!

RINTA!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING... HERE!?
UMM... BY THE WAY...
I CAN SEE YOUR PANTIES FROM HERE...
M-MI ...
MIHO !?
I.. FOUND YOU!
FOUND YOU...!!
へた...
AH... UMM... I MEAN ...
MIHO... DID YOU COME ALL THE WAY HERE FOR ME?
TO WATCH MY... RACE?

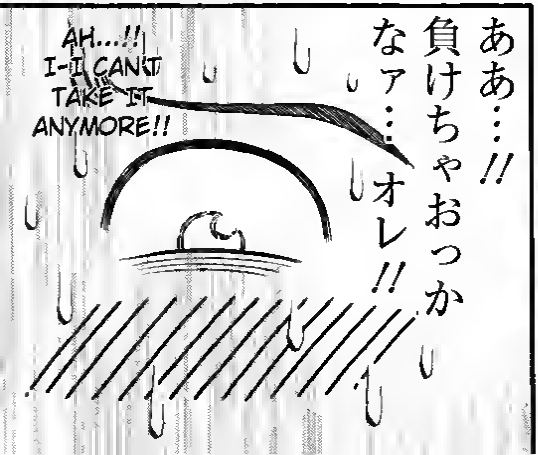
ME GETTING DISQUALI-FIED IN THE RACE...
SO I GUESS YOU SAW...?
NOD
SORRY YOU HAD TO SEE SUCH A CRAPPY PERFORMANCE ...
AH.... UMM.... I GUESS YOU DID...
NOD
MIHO ...
M-MI ...
YOU WERE SO MANLY!!
NO WAY!!
YOU WERE AMAZING RINTA!!
EVEN WITH A BLOODY NOSE AND KNOWING YOU WERE DISQUALI-FIED...

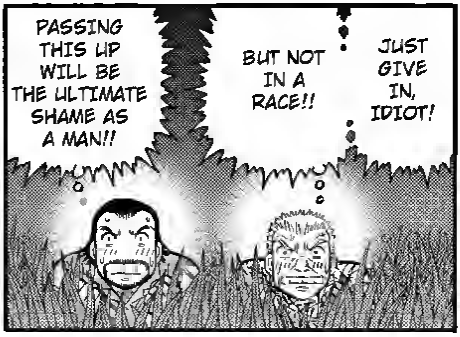
...
じわ...
IT WAS A MANLY PERFORMANCE !!
YOU STILL FULFILLED YOUR ROLE AS THE LINE'S POINT MAN!
YOUR PERFORM-ANCE WAS AMAZING!!
HEARING THAT FROM YOU...
MAKES ME FEEL LIKE I'VE BEEN SAVED...
EVEN THOUGH I TURNED YOU DOWN AND TREATED YOU SO BADLY...
BUT... WHY ARE YOU HERE MIHO?
BUT I STILL FAILED ...


... HUH?
BECAUSE ...
I REALLY DO LIKE YOU RINTA.
I...
AFTER MEETING YOU TONIGHT...
I HAVE DECIDED!!
I AM GOING TO SLEEP WITH YOU TONIGHT!!

W-WHAT ARE YOU SAYING ALL OF A SUDDEN, MIHO!?
I-I AM CAMPING HERE TO-NIGHT!!
WELL THEN SO AM I!!
NO, YOU CAN'T!!
WELL THEN COME TO MY ROOM AT THE HOTEL!!
IF YOU DON'T THEN I AM SLEEPING HERE!!
...
WOW ...
MIHO ...
GO TO THE HOTEL YOU IDIOT TSU-JIDO!!
DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND MIPO'S FEELINGS AS A WOMAN!!
SO WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO, RINTA?

W-WHAT AM I GOING TO DO...? Y-YOU CAN'T ASK ME SOMETHING LIKE THAT LOOKING SO HELPLESS...
BUT I REALLY CAN'T TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SITUATION LIKE THAT...
BUT.... BUT.....
I CAN'T TAKE IT!!


AH...!! I-I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE!!
ああ…!! 負けちゃおっかなァ…オレ!!

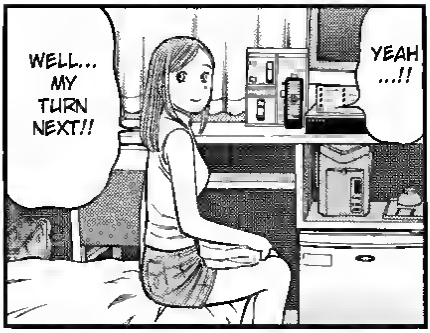

PASSING THIS UP WILL BE THE ULTIMATE SHAME AS A MAN!!
BUT NOT IN A RACE!!
JUST GIVE IN, IDIOT!

WHAAAAT!?
WHAT CAN'T YOU TAKE ANYMORE!
YOU ARE 100 YEARS TOO EARLY TO EVEN THINK YOU ARE READY FOR WOMEN!
DON'T ACT LIKE YOU ACTUALLY HAVE ANYTHING DOWN THERE, YOU PERVERTED LOSER!!

AHH...!!
I'M SO SORRY MASTER!!
BUT... I REALLY AM JUST GOING TO STAY THERE!!
THAT'S IT, I PROMISE !!

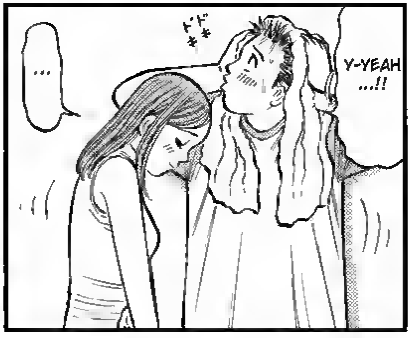
UH... WELL... I CAN'T LET YOU CAMP OUT HERE LIKE THIS ...
THAT'S RIGHT, MASTER
そういうことっスよ師匠～～～～～!!
UH... RINTA ...?
I-I WILL TAKE UP YOUR OFFER...
AH... OKAY ...
UMM... MIHO... I REALLY AM JUST GOING TO STAY THE NIGHT.... THAT'S ALL...
YES ...
ALRI-GHT !!
OKAY !!
MY HOTEL... IS NEAR THE STATION ...
IT'S JUST A SINGLE SO IT IS A BIT SMALL..

I KNOW, RIGHT!!
YEAH RIGHT!!
YOU DAMN PERVERT!!
LIKE YOU ARE WORTHY OF SEEING MIPO LIKE THAT!!
WELL... I WOULD HAVE RATHER THEM JUST DONE RIT RIGHT HERE!
WHAT...!? YOU WERE HOPING FOR THE SAME THING WEREN'T YOU, SHIGE!?
UGH...
A BIT...
BUT...
IT'S ALL ABOUT YOUTH...
YOUTH!!


WELL... MY TURN NEXT!!
YEAH ...!!

THINGS WERE SO CRAZY THAT I DIDN'T TAKE ONE AFTER THE RACE...
AH... THANKS FOR LETTING ME USE YOUR SHOWER!

I REALLY DON'T THINK I CAN HOLD ON...!!
AH...!! TOGETHER IN THIS TINY LITTLE ROOM..
BA-DUM BA-DUM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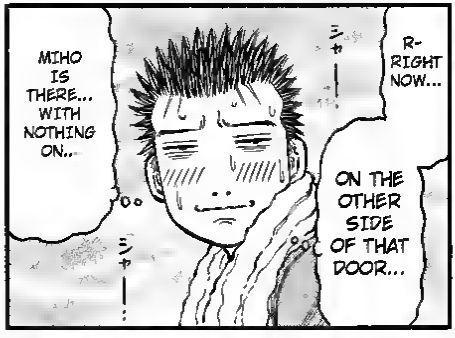
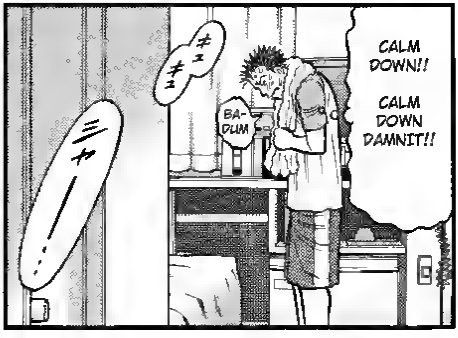
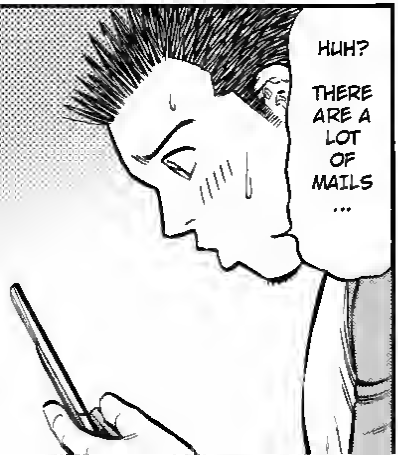
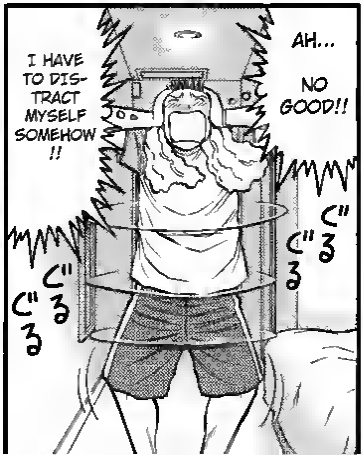
Y-YEAH ...!!


MIHO IS THERE... WITH NOTHING ON..
シャー
R-RIGHT NOW...
ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THAT DOOR...
シャー...


ナニ ナニ
BA-DUM
シャー...
CALM DOWN!! CALM DOWN DAMNIT!!

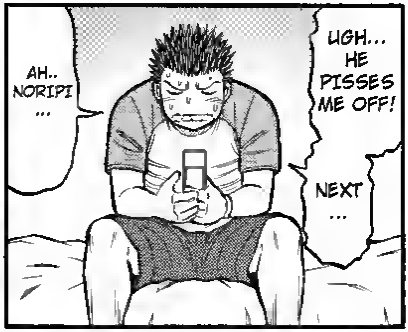

HUH? THERE ARE A LOT OF MAILS ...

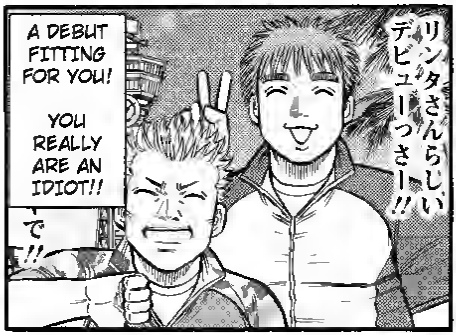
そ…そうだケータイ!!
電源切りっぱなしだったな…
OH MY CELL-PHONE!! IT'S BEEN OFF ALL DAY!


I HAVE TO DIS-TRACT MYSELF SOMEHOW !!
AH... NO GOOD!!
ぐるぐる
ぐるぐる

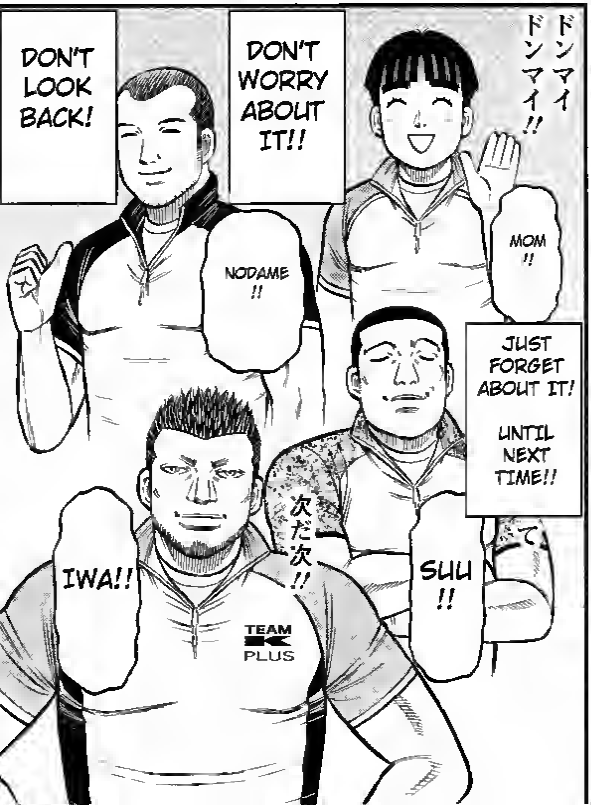
SAMU-
KAWA
!!
受信トレイ
09/07/13 16:37
下僕1号
無題
STUUUUUPID!!!!
FOOOOOOOLLL!!
IDIOOOOOTTTT!!!
—END—
EH
...
あの野郎〜〜〜っ!!
いの一番に
イキナリむかつく
メールを〜〜〜っ!!
THAT BASTARD!!
HE HAS TO SEND THE
MOST ANNOYING DAMN
MAILS!!
STUPID
!!!
漢
OTOKO

TOO BAD ABOUT THE RESULTS... BUT YOU STILL RODE WELL!!
HMMM... YEAH, NORIPI'S IS A LOT NICER THAN SAMUKAWA...

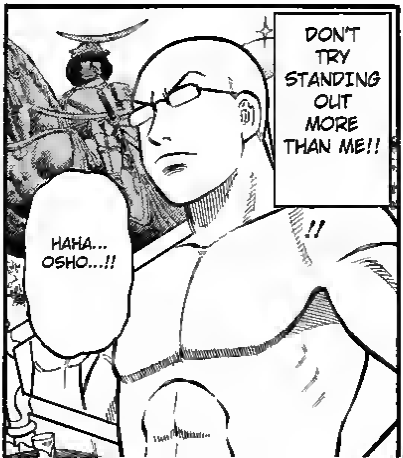

AH.. NORIPI ...
UGH... HE PISSES ME OFF!
NEXT ...

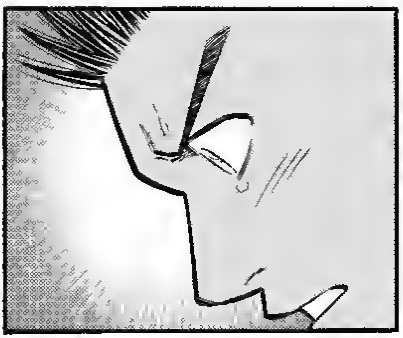

A DEBUT FITTING FOR YOU!
YOU REALLY ARE AN IDIOT!!
リンタさんらしいデビューっさー!!
で!!

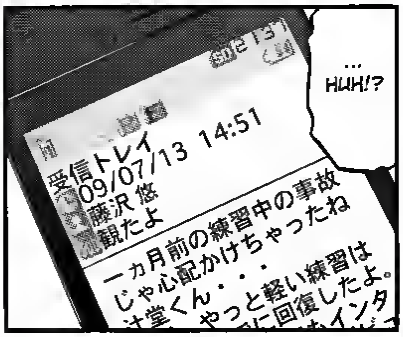
YOU SHOWED US THE SPIRIT OF A POINT MAN, RINCHAN!
GONZO ...!!


DON'T LOOK BACK!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!!
ドンマイ ドンマイ!!
MOM !!
NODAME !!
JUST FORGET ABOUT IT! UNTIL NEXT TIME!!
次だ次!!
SUU !!
IWA!!
TEAM K PLUS

CAESAR !! ...
BARICO ...!!


DON'T TRY STANDING OUT MORE THAN ME!!
!!
HAHA... OSHO...!!

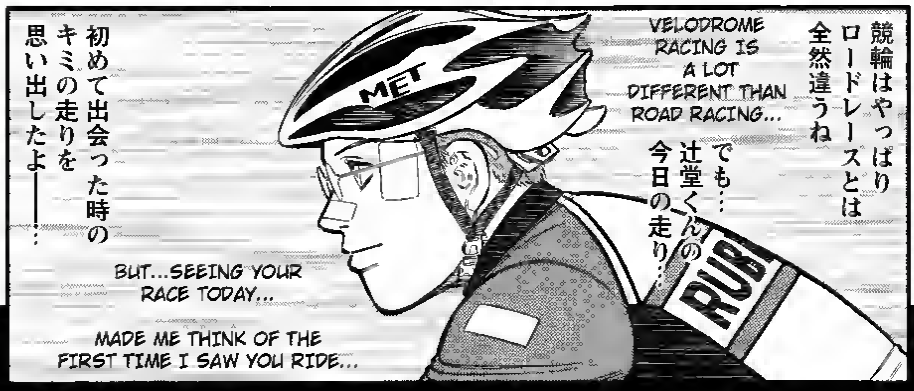


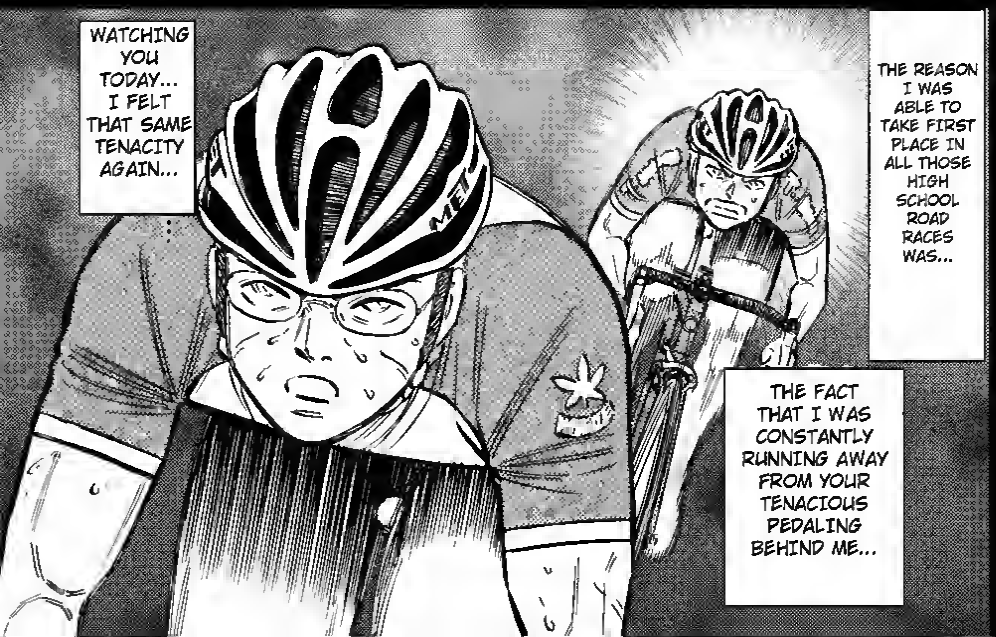

受信トレイ
09/07/13 14:51
藤沢 悠
観たよ
一カ月前の練習中の事故
じゃ心配かけちゃったね
辻堂くん・・・
やっと軽い練習は
に回復したよ。

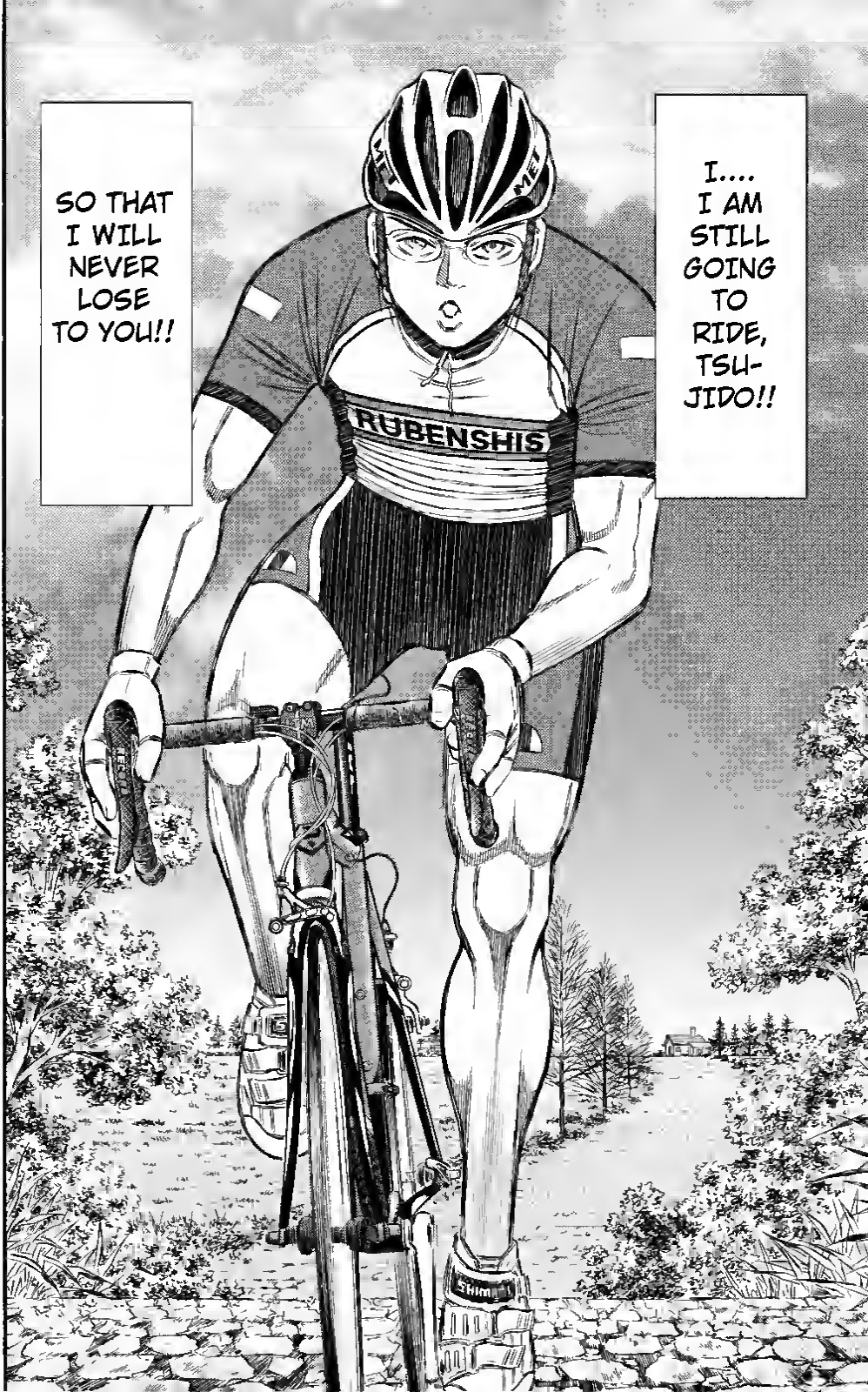
RIGHT NOW WE ARE ALL ACTUAL RIVALS...
BY MY FRIENDS FROM CYCLING SCHOOL ARE STILL HERE FOR ME...!!
DAMN... GOING TO CRY AGAIN...
... HUH!?

HARUKA!!
FUJI... SAWA....

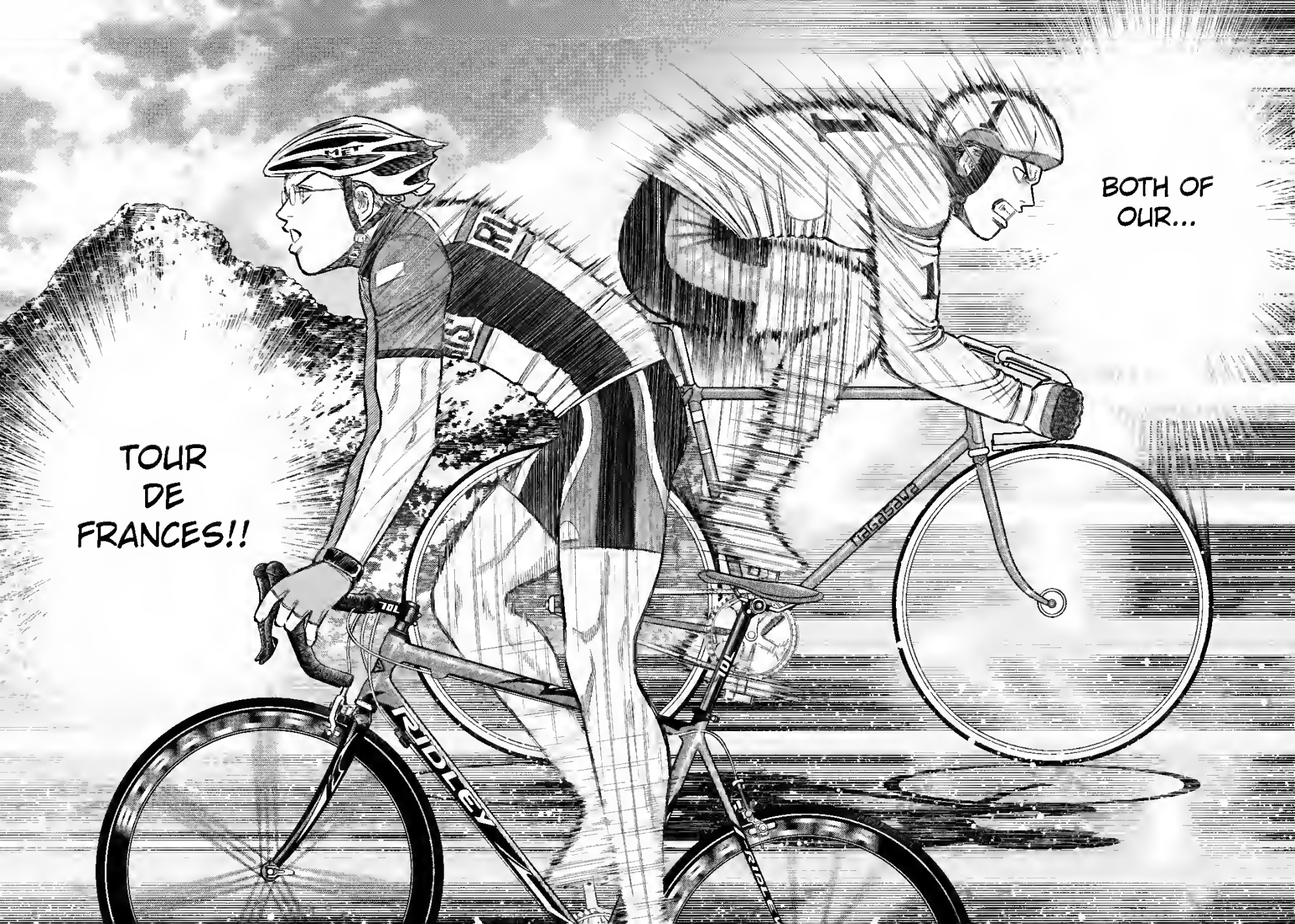
一カ月前の練習中の事故じゃ心配かけちゃったね辻堂くん…
I KNOW I HAD YOU WORRIED FROM THAT ACCIDENT ONE MONTH AGO, TSUJIDO... BUT I HAVE RECOVERED ENOUGH SO THAT I CAN DO LIGHT EXERCISE NOW.
けど…やっと軽い練習はできるまでに回復したよ
ベルギーにいてもインターネットでキミのデビューレースしっかり観たで
EVEN IN BELGIUM, I WAS ABLE TO WATCH YOUR DEBUT RACE ON THE INTERNET.


競輪はやっぱりロードレースとは全然違うね
VELODROME RACING IS A LOT DIFFERENT THAN ROAD RACING...
でも…辻堂くんの今日の走り…
BUT...SEEING YOUR RACE TODAY...
初めて出会った時のキミの走りを思い出したよ――…
MADE ME THINK OF THE FIRST TIME I SAW YOU RIDE...
MET
RUBI

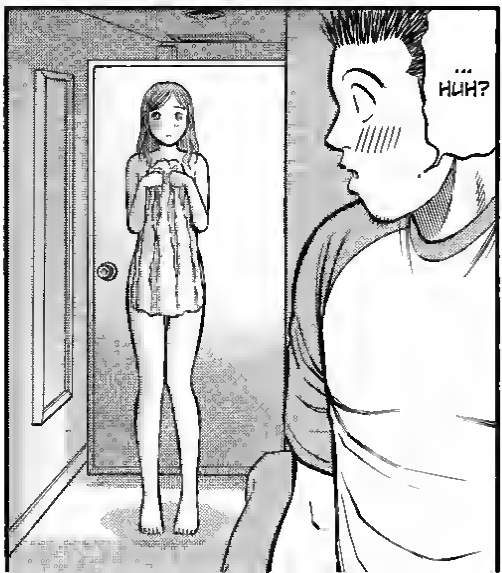

WATCHING YOU TODAY... I FELT THAT SAME TENACITY AGAIN...
THE REASON I WAS ABLE TO TAKE FIRST PLACE IN ALL THOSE HIGH SCHOOL ROAD RACES WAS...
THE FACT THAT I WAS CONSTANTLY RUNNING AWAY FROM YOUR TENACIOUS PEDALING BEHIND ME...
MET

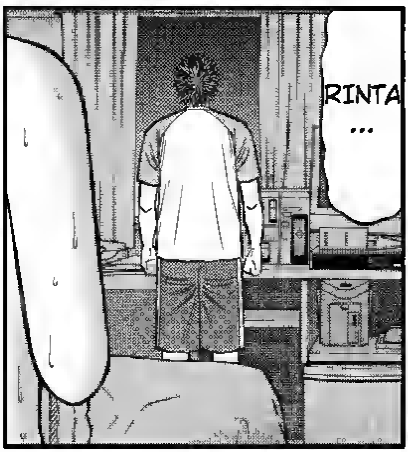

SO THAT I WILL NEVER LOSE TO YOU!!
I.... I AM STILL GOING TO RIDE, TSUJIDO!!
RUBENSHIS

YEAH... I CAN'T GET DEPRESSED OVER SOMETHING LIKE THIS!
LIVESTRONG
ME TOO ...
I'M NOT GOING TO LOSE FUJI-SAWA!
I WON'T SETTLE FOR SECOND PLACE EITHER!!
YOU ARE DOING THE AUTHENTIC TOUR DE FRANCE ...
AND I AM DOING THE KEIRIN TOUR DE FRANCE ...
IT'S A BATTLE...
TO SEE WHO CLIMBS TO THE TOP FIRST, FUJISAWA!!


BOTH OF OUR...
TOUR DE FRANCES!!
RIDLEY

I WANNA RIDE MY BIKE...!!
AH...
SHIT ...!!


... HUH?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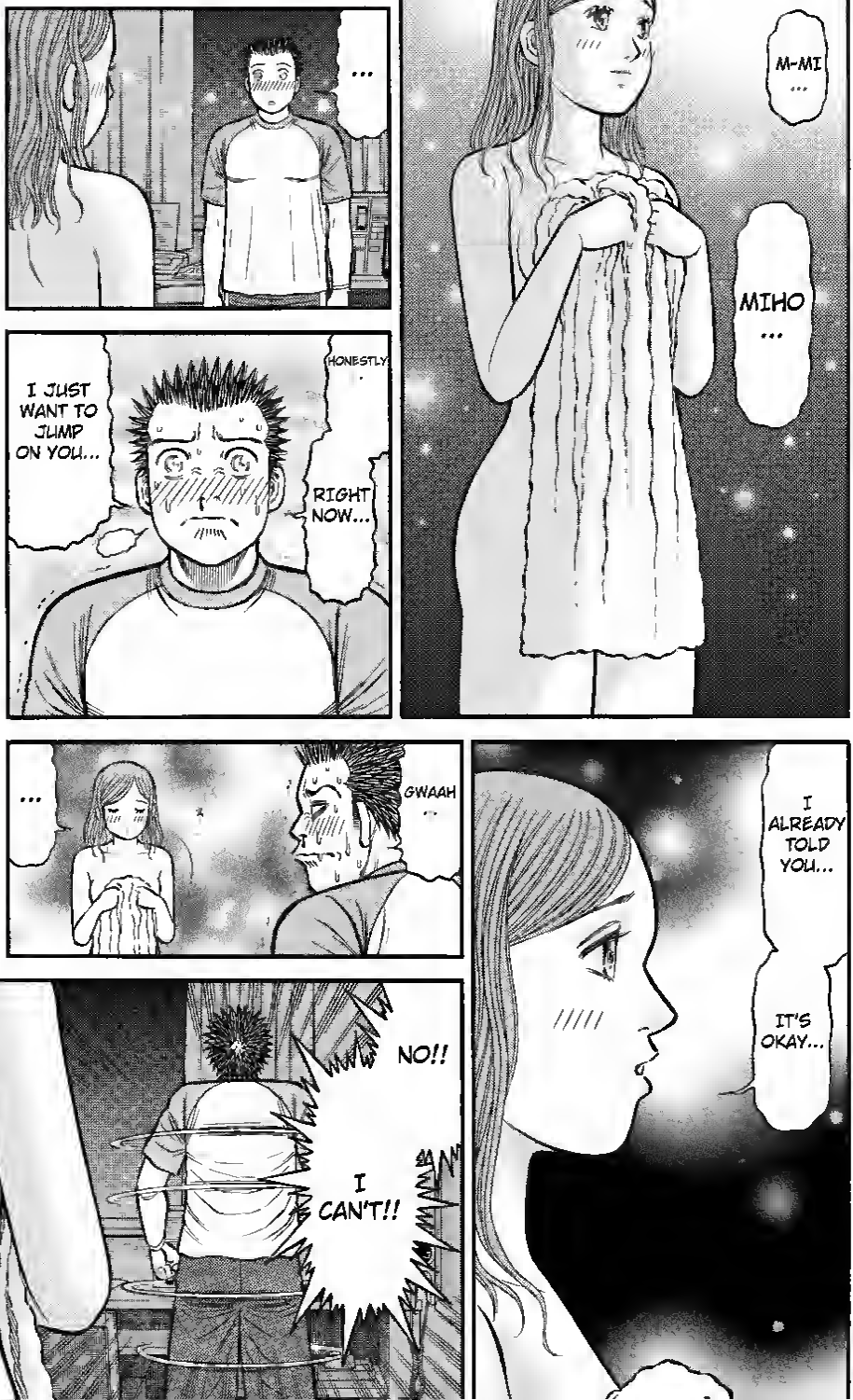
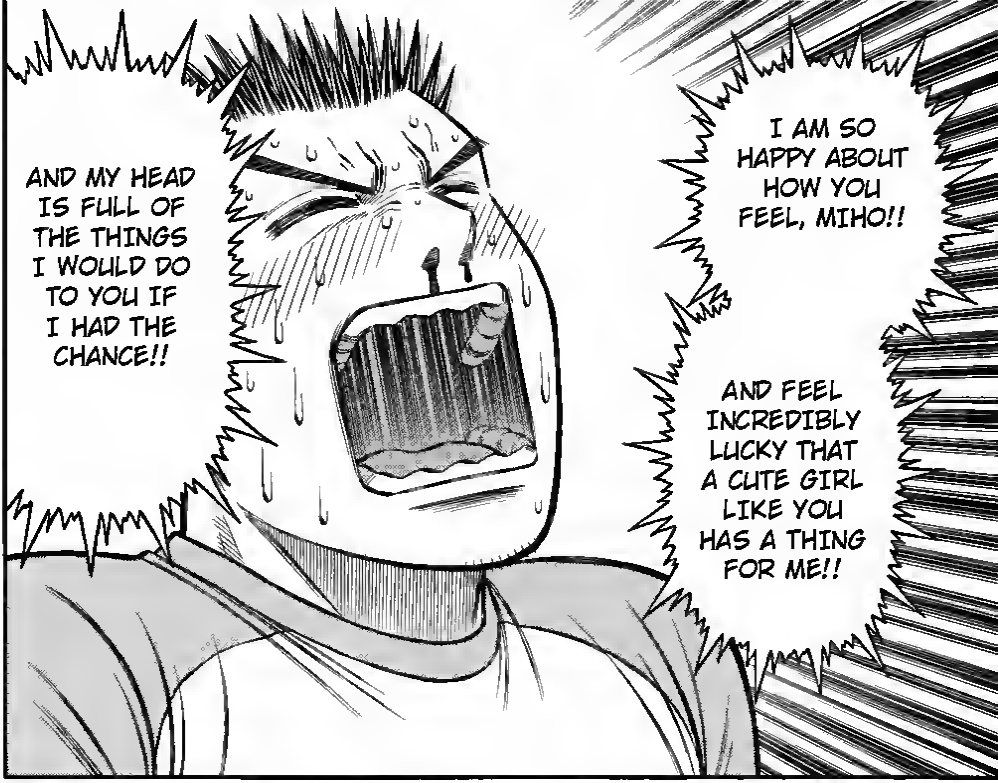
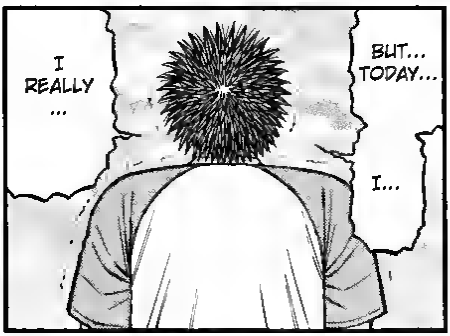

...
M-MI...
MIHO...
HONESTLY...
I JUST WANT TO JUMP ON YOU...
RIGHT NOW...
...
GWAAH...
I ALREADY TOLD YOU...
IT'S OKAY...
NO!!
I CAN'T!!


AND MY HEAD IS FULL OF THE THINGS I WOULD DO TO YOU IF I HAD THE CHANCE!!
I AM SO HAPPY ABOUT HOW YOU FEEL, MIHO!!
AND FEEL INCREDIBLY LUCKY THAT A CUTE GIRL LIKE YOU HAS A THING FOR ME!!

M-MIHO ...?

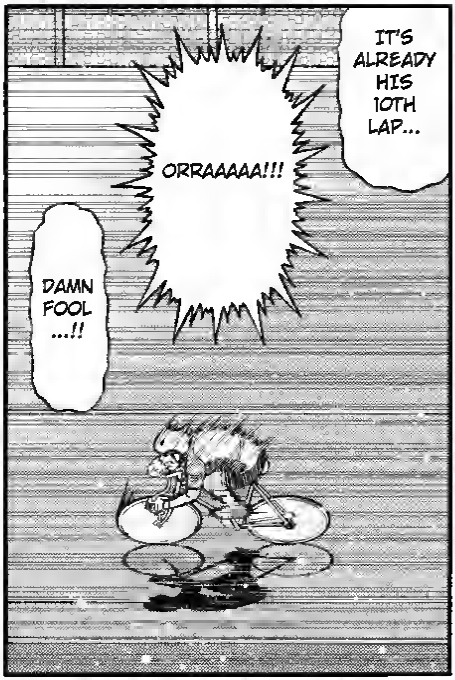

I REALLY ...
BUT... TODAY...
I...

AH... ACTUALLY I'M NOT FLYING. I WILL BE TAKING THE FIRST TRAIN OUT...
WHAT TIME IS IT?

HUH?
WHAT TIME...
IS YOUR FLIGHT TOMOR-ROW?

ばっ
WOAH !!
TADA!!
I PUT SOME CLOTHES ON!!
THE TRAIN!?
AH... YEAH ...
そ――……
MY TRANSFER FOR THE BUDGET PRICED TICKETS DIDN'T WORK...
AND THE TRAIN IS CHEAPER THAN THE NORMAL AIRFARE... AS LONG AS YOU HAVE SEVEN HOURS IT WILL WORK...
AH...
UM...
YEAH ...
Y-YOU LOOK A LITTLE DISAPPOINTED ...
O-OF COURSE NOT!!
RINTA, YOU REALLY ARE...
A HOPELESS CYCLING MANIAC...

CHOFU CITY, TOKYO.
KEIOKAKU VELODROME


IT'S ALREADY HIS 10TH LAP...
ORRAAAAA!!!
DAMN FOOL ...!!

AND AS SOON AS HE GETS BACK HE IS AT IT ALREADY!?
HE GRABBED THE FIRST TRAIN DIRECT FROM HAKODATE...

DON'T LOOK BACK!
DON'T LOOK BACK AND GOOOO!!!

Message

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この物語は、小学館「週刊ヤングサンデー」及び「YSスペシャル」にて連載された「Odds」(ヤングサンデーコミックス／①～⑩巻)、「Odds +1」(ヤングサンデーコミックス／読み切り短編集)の続きです。

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「続き、もしよかったらウチでやらない?」

オトナの事情はいろいろあったものの、幸いだったのはヤンサンの最後の編集長や担当が、本当に「Odds」という漫画を愛していてくれ、応援していてくれていて、「存続」ありきで全てを考え、動いてもらえたことです。

受け入れ側のアクションの方々も大変だったと思いますが、なんとか「Odds GP!」として連載を開始できることになりました。

S氏、アクション編集長M氏、担当Kくんと会い、話した時の言葉は忘れません。

「だって個人的に続き読みたいし。」

これ以上の言葉はありません。

ちなみにタイトルロゴやコミックスのデザインも、オトナの事情を越え、「Odds」と同じKさんがやってくれました。

この漫画に関わってくれた全ての方々にお礼を言いたいと思います。

ありがとうございます。

そして一番に、応援していただいている読者の方々には心より感謝しています。

なによりも読者の方々の大きな応援なくしては、漫画家ががいくら描きたい、続けたいと思っても描けるものではありません。

この漫画を新連載できた一番の力は、読者の方々の応援です。

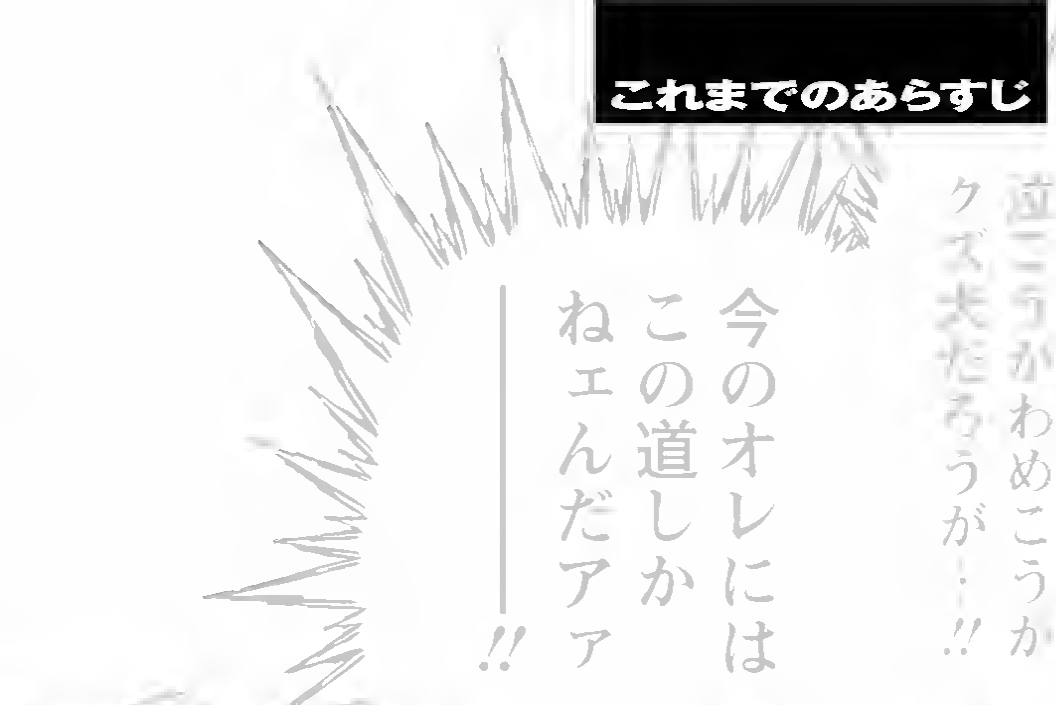
本当にありがとうございます。

さて、それではめでたく「Odds GP!」始めさせていただきたいと思います。

楽しんでいただければ幸いです。

石渡 治

これまでのあらすじ



主人公・辻堂麟太郎は自転車ロードレーサーを目指し、世界最高峰の自転車ロードレース「ツール・ド・フランス」出場を夢見る少年であった。

しかし高校ロードレース界では常にライバル藤沢悠に負け、「万年2着」の汚名を着ていた。

高校3年秋、「ツール・ド・沖縄」、またも藤沢に負けた麟太郎のもとに悲報が飛び込む。

父親の自動車が事故を起こし、母と妹・菜緒は亡くなり、父は植物状態となってしまったのだ。

父の面倒を見るため、働かなければならなくなった麟太郎は、それでも自転車だけは捨てられず、競輪選手になる道を選ぶ。

同じ自転車といえど競技的にはロードレースとまったく真逆にある競輪選手になるため麟太郎は苦労するが、運命に導かれるように出会った「死神」とあだ名される競輪選手で師匠となる秋谷淳や、その姉の杏里、また高校時代からの犬猿の仲だが友人想いの寒川進矢や叔父で競輪選手の寒川恩次、出会う友人や人々の力に支えられ、競輪学校に入校する。

競輪学校では自転車留学経験も持つスプリントエリートの「シーサー」

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を筆頭に、変わり種の実力者「和尚」や人情と根性のオトコ「バリコ」、数々の同期たちと友情を育み、ライバルとして切磋琢磨し、在校成績5位、3000mTT新記録、ケツ竹刀歴代1位の結果を残して卒業する。

そして練習に磨きをかけ、プロデビューを待つだけの日々を過ごしていた。

〈詳しくは〈ヤングサンデーコミックス「Odds」①～⑩巻〉〈ヤングサンデーコミックス「Odds＋1」全①巻〉をご覧ください〉

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